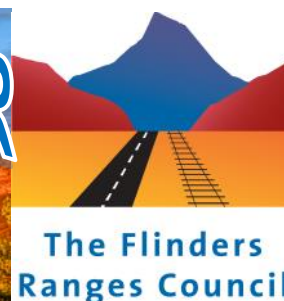


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COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER

THE FLINDERS RANGES COUNCIL



ANZAC DAY

Anzac Day 2020 was not like previous years, due to COVID19. This year we came together in spirit, instead of in person. People were asked to stand in their driveway to show their respect and reflect on the service and sacrifice of all those who have served and are currently serving.

A virtual Dawn Service was published on facebook at 10:50am on 25 April 2020, flags lowered and raised at dawn, wreaths were laid, and a Minute of Silence was observed. Thank you to all those who contributed to the video. It can now also be viewed on Councils website <https://www.frc.sa.gov.au/community/latest-news/anzac-day>



Bin Collection and Safety of Drivers

If you're parking in a street, be aware of waste collection days and park away from bins

While life is looking a little different right now, our waste and recycling drivers are still here for you, but with lots more people at home, and extra cars parked, they need a hand.

During this time, schedules may change. They may come earlier or later in the day but to help them out, place your bins out the night before.

Help your driver out:

Place your bins in your driveway, if there's lots of cars parked in the street

Keep your bins 1m away from parked cars, trees, stobie poles etc.

Space bins 30cm apart



<https://www.facebook.com/FlindersRangesVisitorInformationCentre/>



<https://www.facebook.com/Flinders.Ranges.Council/>

LIKE AND SHARE OUR FACEBOOK PAGES

MAYOR'S MESSAGE

Hello again to all our residents.

We are indeed in the midst of strange times, though the measures put in place to restrain the spread of COVID19 have been very successful across the nation. We might (hopefully!) be able to look forward to a gradual easing of restrictions in coming weeks and months, but there will likely remain significant constraints on travel (particularly international) for quite some time.

The ANZAC Day commemorations are a case in point being unable to gather as we normally do to remember and recognise our service men and women was a bit strange to start with. As the day drew nearer it was great to see the enthusiasm and ingenuity with which the nation embraced the situation and developed different ways to take part. Doing things a bit differently, having to think about that, meant there was at least as much discussion in the lead up as usual and we might all have considered our relationship with those who served a bit more diligently because of that.

I would like to thank Angie, Cindy and all involved in creating the Flinders Ranges Council "Virtual ANZAC Day Ceremony" which was shared through facebook on ANZAC Day. It was a great tribute and helped us all pay our respects whilst practising our social distancing protocols!

A number of community events are in limbo or have been cancelled the Melbourne Comedy Festival Show, Pichi Richi Marathon, Hawker and Quorn Race meetings, and the Quorn Show come to mind. These are all important community social days and have a big role in the economic activity and sense of identity in our region. We recognise the work of those who organise them for the community, and hope that most are able to be rescheduled when we know what the relaxation of restrictions looks like. We will need a few good days out down the track!

MAYOR PETER SLATTERY

THE FLINDERS RANGES COUNCIL COMMUNITY GRANTS PROGRAM ROUND 3

CLOSES MONDAY 4 MAY 2020

If you are intending on holding an event or have a project that requires Council support either financially or work in kind, up to \$5,000, please apply through the Community Grants Program. For example insurance, road closures, signage, use of Council equipment, programs and events.

It is envisaged that the 2021 Community Grants Program will open in September 2020. Therefore if you require funding or work in kind before November please apply now.

Community Grants Program [Application form](#) is available at the Quorn Council Office or on the website www.frc.sa.gov.au. If you require assistance please contact Angie on 86200500.



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The Ordinary Council meeting held 21 April 2020 can be viewed electronically on the website

<https://www.frc.sa.gov.au/council/electronic-recordings>



COVID-19 VIRUS

In accordance with Council's adopted Business Continuity Plan, and after the completion of a risk assessment on the operations of Council and in line with guidance received from the Prime Minister, it has been assessed that the following non-essential facilities closures will continue.

Hawker and Quorn Swimming Pools;
All Playgrounds;
The Visitor Information Centre (Quorn);
Quorn Community Hall;
Quorn Town Hall;
Hawker Institute;
Quorn Depot (Public Access)
Warren Gorge (to campers)

The following facilities **will remain 'open' at this time:**

Landfill Hawker;
Waste Transfer Station Quorn;
Council Office Quorn;
Council Depot Quorn;
Council Depot Hawker;
Parks, Gardens and open areas;
Sewage Treatment Plant Quorn;
Sewage Treatment Plant Hawker;
Public Toilets;
Any other facilities not listed under closures above.

We will be continuing to assess the risk for staff and the community and will keep members informed of any changes.



RATE RELIEF

The Covid-19 pandemic has had a huge impact on our businesses and community. The Flinders Ranges Council is committed to ensuring that the community needs are addressed, based on Council's capacity to provide relief in-line with current financial commitments.

Council has looked at its financial capabilities and as a result would like to offer support to its residents and rate payers by way of:

- Immediate support to ratepayers by offering a temporary suspension on all fines and interest on outstanding rates and service charges for the next six months.
- In line with Council's Rates Policy Council urges any ratepayers who are experiencing difficulties to contact Council to discuss future financial planning for the ongoing payment of your rates and service charges. For further details the FRC Rates Policy can be found on council's website.

"We acknowledge the financial difficulties within the community and understand that livelihoods are at stake. Our communities are being hit hard as hospitality and tourism grinds to a halt as a result of COVID-19".

"On top of the current drought conditions affecting our pastoral and rural sectors - and, indeed, nationally, this presents a significant escalation in the challenges facing our community. We will work with and support our people through these ordeals."

UPDATE ON PROJECTS

Rural Roads

- 3km Yednalue Road Re-sheeting is completed
- 3km Craddock Road Re-sheeting completed.
- 3km Carrieton Road is currently under construction.



Warren Gorge

- Roadworks now complete
- Camping bays have been installed and designated
- Bollards installed for Traffic Control
- Walking path delineated with bollards
- Removal of Toilet
- Relocation of Toilet.



Hawker Gym

- Gyprock flushing, mini orb ceiling completed
- Painting of walls, ceiling and tiling of wet areas completed.



Quorn Town Hall Kitchen upgrade and air-conditioning



- The Town Hall upgrade is complete.
- The old stage has been removed in preparation for the installation of a new mobile staging system



Emergency Water Bores

Four Bores are complete, these include:

- Hawker Aerodrome
- Carrieton
- Willow Waters
- Craddock



Silo Art Project

The Silo Project is near completion and significant progress has been made. Minor site works, which includes painting the shed, seating hut and projector equipment has basically been finalised. The construction phase will be finalised by the end of the month, while content creation and renewal will continue.



QUORN SILO LIGHT SHOW

Don't forget you can social distance and enjoy art at the Silo Light Show every night. Information can be found on the website www.quornsilolightshow.info for start times.



See below the new seating for the viewing area



FIRE BAN SEASON FINISHED 15TH APRIL 2020.

Fire Season finished on 15th April 2020.

Burning within the residential zone is not permitted any time of the year, unless for warmth or food with regulations observed. Please use your green waste vouchers to dispose of yard waste at the refuse centres.

