

MONTHLY NEWS FROM YOUR COUNCIL



MARCH 2017

Rates Reminder

Final Rate notices have been sent out .

If you haven't made payments on your rates please do so ASAP or contact our Rates Officer Brooke Jasper on Wednesdays and Fridays on 9637 0300 to discuss and/or arrange a payment plan.

Important Meeting Dates

27th April 2017 – Council Meeting commencing at 5:00pm

27th April 2017– General Meeting of Electors at 6pm, followed by the Strategic Planning Forum in the Tammin Lesser Hall.





Watch this space Battery Collection

More info coming soon.

EASTER OPENING HOURS

Good Friday 14th April – Closed Easter Monday 17th April – Closed Re-opening Tuesday 18th April

Shire of Tammin

Phone: (08) 9637 0300

Email: shire@tammin.wa.gov.au

Website: www.tammin.wa.gov.au

Office hours: Monday - Friday 9.00am - 4.00pm

'Our Aim is Progress'



Wishing you a Happy & Safe Easter from the Shire of Tammin

Community Cropping

Council is seeking expressions of interest from all community and sporting groups for the Community Cropping Programme.

Interested people or groups must advise the CEO of their interest by emailing or posting a letter on or before **COB Friday 14**th **April 2017.**

Peter Naylor Chief Executive Officer



2017 Tammin Achievement Awards

The Shire of Tammin is holding their Achievement Awards Night on Wednesday 12th April 2017 at the Tammin Bowling Club commencing at 6:00pm, to celebrate the accomplishments of our community members.

We would like to use this opportunity to also extend an invitation to bring together all residents living within our Shire. This will be great chance for our new residents to socialise and to be welcomed into the community.



Please advise your availability to attend by returning the RSVP slip below by the 7th April 2017 into the Shire Office, or by post or email.



| 2017 TAMMIN ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS |
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| RSVP SLIP |
| Name |
| No. of People Attending |
| Dietary Requirements |
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What's been happening in Tammin? Seniors Games

What a magnificent turn out for the Tammin Senior Games last Tuesday 28th March at the Tammin Town Hall. They had competitors come from as near as Kellerberrin and as far as Hopetoun to show off their shuffleboard, golf, volleyball and all kinds of other skills they have been practising for months planning for the big event. It was a close finish with Kon Kul Kats 2 (Kondinin/ Kulin) taking out first place with Tammin following a very close second.

A special mention to the Tammin Seniors who did such a wonderful job planning the successful day, the fantastic volunteers who helped out with scoring all day and to Stephen and Deb at the Tammin Roadhouse for making sure everyone was well fed before the teams headed off home.



Tammin's 29th Annual Art Prize

Tammin Town Hall

21st & 22nd April 2017 Friday 6.30pm – 9.00pm Saturday 9.30am – 3.00pm

Presented by the Shire of Tammin and the Tammin Art Prize Committee.

Entry fee must accompany forms and are to be lodged at the Tammin Shire Office no later than Tuesday 18th April 2017.

For further information please contact Pat Bell on 9637 1055 or grapabel@bigpond.com







Stable Fly

Most fly breeding occurs during the warmer summer months December to March or when the 'conditions are right'. There are a number of known fly species in WA but the more common ones are; houseflies, bushflies, blowflies and stable flies.

Stable or 'horse fly' as it is also known, is a biting, blood sucking insect that causes discomfort and distress to animals and people by the painful bite it inflicts when obtaining a blood meal. Horses and cattle are its primary hosts and are most vulnerable to attack.

The stable fly is most prominent in rural, semi rural areas where there is mix of horticulture, hobby farms and animal industries or where there is use of poultry manure. Restrictions on the sale, supply and use of poultry manure has reduced the breeding and prevalence of stable flies, however other sources of breeding still exist.

Most nuisance flies breed in similar environments where they can obtain moisture and nutrients they need to breed and multiply. The main sources are; decaying vegetable material, putrescible waste (food scraps), animal manure, open compost heaps and grass clippings left in piles.

Horticulturalists, livestock owners and householders are encouraged to make sure they have plans in place to manage stable fly.

Steps that can be taken to prevent fly breeding are:

- Make sure putrescible waste (food scraps) are wrapped tightly in 3-4 sheets of newspaper or bagged, before placing in the bin.
- Not leaving uneaten pet food lying around. Treat as above.
- If making compost, use a purpose built compost bin (with lid) or tumbler. Open compost heaps can provide a perfect environment for fly breeding.
- If keeping poultry, keep yards and cages clean by removing manure on a regular basis and particularly, removing any wet manure.
- Regularly pick up dog faeces and seal in plastic bags, then to bin.
- Not leaving grass clippings in a pile as this will create a ready source for fly breeding. Spread clippings out thinly over the garden bed.
- When applying animal manures to the garden, dig them well into the soil. Avoid using fresh manure and look for conditioned, aged manure or better still use compost.
- If using manure as fertiliser for larger scale farming, ensure that the manure is spread thinly and/or dug in as soon as possible, with no stockpiling.

There are pesticides that can be used to control flies. The best form of control for adult flies around the home is aerosol Pyrethrin products. These provide rapid 'knock down' of flies.

It is also possible to apply a residual spray to external areas (patio structure, windows, eaves), to deter flies from entering the home. The householder should seek advice from the retailer and or read the product label before selecting and using a product. It needs to be suitable for the purpose and there may be safety precautions.

Dr McPharlin from the Department of Agriculture, has advised that, "The department has developed a series of factsheets, available online, which detail the steps each affected industry group should take to control and manage stable fly,"

Factsheets can be found at: https://www.agric.wa.gov.au/bam/management-plans

The Department of Agriculture can also be contacted for further information on stable flies and their control.





Shire of Tammin GENERAL MEETING OF ELECTORS'

It is hereby notified for public information that the General Meeting of Electors' of the Shire of Tammin will be held on Thursday 27th April 2017, in the Tammin Lesser Hall, 3 Donnan Street, Tammin commencing at 6:00pm.

The order of business will be as follows:

- 1. Opening
- 2. Attendance
- 3. Confirmation of minutes of the meeting held on Thursday 4th February 2016.
- 4. The receiving and consideration of the Annual Report for the year ended 30 June 2016 including:
 - Presidents Report
 - Chief Executive Officers Report
 - Auditors Report
 - Annual Financial Report
- 5. Consideration of other General Business
- 6. Closure

Please note immediately after the meeting a community forum to discuss current and future town projects will be held.

Everyone is welcome to attend.

Peter Naylor

Chief Executive Officer

28th March 2017



What's happening on our local roads??

Shire works crew and contractors have commenced works on all roads within the Shire that have been affected by the recent weather events.

The Shire of Tammin recommends that you continue to drive with caution until roadwork's have been completed.

Works have been completed on the Tammin- Wyalkatchem Rd & Ralston Rd.

Current and upcoming roadwork's:

- Pot hole patching and gravel repairs on various roads
- General maintenance grading

Greg Stephens

Works Supervisor (0437 371 101)





Crime Prevention

If you have seen anything unusual, have any concerns, or have had anything missing from your property please do not hesitate to call the Police and notify the Shire.

Kellerberrin Police: 9045 6000

Cunderdin Police: 9635 1000

Quairading Police: 9645 1000

SECURE

PROTECT

PREVENT

National Emergency Number: 000



CALTROP MANAGEMENT Fact Sheet

Caltrop (Tribulus terrestris) is a troublesome weed that is difficult to control. Unfortunately Council cannot control Caltrop alone. Council requires your help to remove this troublesome weed before it becomes a public nuisance. The sooner Caltrop is removed the better chance of reducing seed set.

Caltrop Identification

Caltrop is a mat-forming weed. Its stems can be up to 1m long and spread out from a central crown with a deep taproot. The leaves and stems have a silvery appearance, particularly on the underside of the leaves. Caltrop has bright yellow flowers about 5-15mm across with 5 petals. The seeds are 8-12mm wide and up to 8mm high, they are covered in short spines.

Chemical Control

There are a wide range of herbicides available for controlling Caltrop. When considering using chemical spraying as a control measure there is likely to be a succession of germinations of this weed throughout summer. Therefore, more than one spray application may be necessary, particularly if a residual chemical is not used. The timing of spray applications is critical to ensure that the majority of the weeds have been sprayed before seed set occurs. Using spraying as the only control method can be impractical and it is usually better to combine spraying with other means of control. Seek advice and further details from your local spraying company.

Manual Removal

Hand-pulling Caltrop is effective if the infested area is not too large. Aim to remove the entire tap root as Caltrop can reshoot. Place any plants in your green bin.

Competition

Competition is a very effective control method for Caltrop as it is a poor competitor. It only achieves dominance when other vegetation is removed and the ground is bare. Heavy mulching and healthy thick ground covering plants and grasses can suppress germination.

Should you require more information please contact the Department of Agriculture and Food on 1800 084 881 or email info@agric.wa.gov.au. You can also visit their website, www.agric.wa.gov.au.



Shire Office & Refuse Site opening hours

Shire office: Monday - Friday 9.00am - 4.00pm Refuse site: Thursday & Saturday 9.00am - 1.00pm





Know your Council

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(Wednesdays & Fridays only)

Next Council meeting: Thursday, 27th April 2017, 5:00pm, Council Chambers

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Licensing Transactions

The Shire of Tammin wishes to advise that all licensing transactions are available every Monday - Friday 9am - 4pm.





^{*}Year in bracket denotes expiry of elected term.