

DECEMBER 2021

SHIRE OF MUNDARING

COMMUNITY UPDATE



WHAT'S ON



1 Connecting Community Expo - FREE

Sunday 5 December | 9.30am to 11.30am | Mundaring Arena

Do you want to learn about community groups in your area? Or can you volunteer your time to support one? Join us for interactive stalls, pedal powered smoothies, games by the Youth C.R.E.W and plenty of networking opportunities. Stick around afterwards for our Celebrating Community Awards from 11.30am.

2 Ordinary Council Meeting

Tuesday 14 December | 6.30pm | Shire Administration Building

Visit the Shire website, Shire Administration Building or our libraries to view the agenda. The meeting will be livestreamed via the Shire website.

3 Shire Administration and Library Christmas hours

Admin: closed from **12pm on Friday 10 December 2021**, reopening at 9am on Monday 13 December. Also closed from **4.30pm on Friday 24 December until 9am on Tuesday 4 January 2022.**

Libraries: closed from **12pm on Friday 10 December 2021**, reopening at 9am on Saturday 11 December. Also closed from **5pm on Friday 24 December until 9am on Tuesday 4 January 2022.**

4 Meet your Councillors at the Mundaring Twilight Markets

Saturday 11 December | 3pm to 8pm | Mundaring Sculpture Park

Great family evening filled with music, free kids' entertainment, market stalls and food vans presented by the Rotary Club of Mundaring Inc. There is also the opportunity to meet your local Councillors. Stop by the Shire stall and have a chat.

5 Youth Engagement Partnership Fund

Community groups can apply for up to \$25,000 through the Shire's Youth Engagement Partnership Fund.

Funded initiatives must be community driven and actively engage young people, developing their personal and life skills and should increase opportunities for participation. Apply via the Shire website before 30 April 2022.

FROM THE SHIRE PRESIDENT



While 2021 was a challenging year, I want to say I am enormously proud of the resilience of our community.

To recap our year, February saw devastating bushfires sweep through the north eastern parts of our shire. Although the recovery journey for many in and around the Woorlooloo community continues, the resilience they demonstrate is remarkable. These bushfires serve as a reminder to our wider community of the importance of reducing fire risk. Vital information and helpful resources can be found on the Shire website or at www.emergency.wa.gov.au.

Once again, COVID restrictions saw our community adapt to lockdowns. These challenges were met head on with compassion and innovation.

In some respects, it may feel like the pandemic is behind us, but we know this isn't the case – yet. We must continue our COVID safe approach to life. Thank you for doing your part.

As the year progressed, we saw the return of our community events. The Shire now processes significantly more applications for events than ever before. This is testament to our community's desire to connect locally.

Our Summer of Entertainment series will return by popular demand next year and I'm excited to see our community come together to enjoy summer in the shire.

As Shire President of the community in which I was raised and now bring up my own kids, I am truly honoured to be working with a strong Council that's committed to delivering the best outcomes for our community.

Finally, as we approach the end of the year and the holiday season, I would like to wish everyone a very merry and safe Christmas and New Year.

Cr James Martin, Shire President

NEWS

Community feedback sought on draft Reconciliation Action Plan

Shire of Mundaring is seeking community feedback on its draft Reconciliation Action Plan (RAP) 2022 to 2024 which outlines Council's draft vision, actions and commitment to reconciliation.

This RAP is informed by community consultation and engagement with Reconciliation Australia, Traditional Owners, service providers and local community groups and businesses.

You can view the draft RAP at engage.mundaring.wa.gov.au, Shire libraries or the Shire Administration Building.

Completed public comment forms may be returned to these locations or emailed to shire@mundaring.wa.gov.au before 31 December 2021.

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