



Inside Ashburton

May 2018

ANZAC services across the Pilbara



As the sun rose across the Pilbara landscape, residents and tourists gathered to commemorate the ANZAC Centenary, honouring the original ANZACs as well as the generations of servicemen and women who have defended our freedom.

Dawn services and family friendly events were held throughout the Shire of Ashburton, proudly supported by Rio Tinto and the Chevron-operated Wheatstone Project.

Past and present members of the Armed Forces, dignitaries and community members laid wreaths in memory of all Australians and New Zealanders who have served and continue to serve, while those gathered paused quietly to honour the fallen.

Following the Dawn Service, traditional Gunfire breakfasts brought everyone together where hot coffee, warm meals and camaraderie were shared.

Service personnel and their descendants proudly participated in the ANZAC Day marches, with many community members lining the streets as a mark of remembrance and appreciation.

Shire President Kerry White said ANZAC Day has always been well attended across all four of the Shire's towns with national pride and community spirit strong throughout the Pilbara.

"It is great to see our community come together to commemorate those who have made the ultimate sacrifice, as well as those who continue to serve," said Cr White. "Seeing families and

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descendants of service personnel participate throughout the day highlights our sense of national pride, ensuring that the ANZAC spirit lives on throughout the generations."

Chevron Community Liaison Officer Shawn Heiderich said that as an ex-serviceman, he was moved to see such a strong turn-out at the Onslow dawn service.

"It was great to have a group from the Wheatstone LNG Plant join the community service in Onslow, whilst at Ashburton North a dawn service and gunfire breakfast were held for the rest of the workforce to commemorate the occasion," Mr Heiderich said.

The favourite traditions continued into the afternoon with lively games of two-up, barbecues and plenty of Anzac biscuits. Pannawonica gave the day an extra Aussie boost with a family cricket match, enjoyed by both players and spectators.

The Shire of Ashburton would like to acknowledge the support of our partners and community groups who work together to make the ANZAC Day commemorations possible in each town.

The spectacular Karijini Experience



Visitors enjoying the experience of culture, art, music and cuisine



The Shire of Ashburton was proud to be a Platinum Sponsor of this year's Karijini Experience, an iconic and unique event that showcases Karijini and the Pilbara region to local, interstate and overseas visitors.

The event program, filled with six days of activities, provided plenty of opportunity for visitors to indulge in as many experiences as time would allow. With the majority of activities being family friendly and free, Karijini National Park was abuzz with people of all ages enjoying everything the event had to offer.

Those keen to immerse themselves in the culture of the Pilbara had a range to choose from with bush medicine, tool and weapon making, yarning with elders, storytelling and ancient rock art, as well as corroboree and musical performances from local Banjima Traditional Owners.

Renowned soprano Debra Cheetham returned to Karijini Experience this year, performing with WASO under the stars as well as in the unique natural stage of Kalamina Gorge.

Local cuisine was a consistent highlight across the six day event with bush tucker cooking, high tea with Indigenous chef Mark Olive and the culinary sensations of Fervor.

Live music, jam sessions, art, craft, photography, astronomy and circus workshops filled the days and evenings, leaving participants fulfilled, informed and content.

Karijini Experience finished on a high with the Makers Market and Yarlou Lounge. Pilbara artisans, creators and artists showcased their wares at the popular Makers Market, which was then followed by the Yarlou Lounge. A magical evening of music and culture, where a prestigious lineup of Australian

performers entertained the crowds, and as the sun set over the Hamersley Ranges the sky shone with the brilliance of stars.

Thank you to Nintirri, sponsors and the countless volunteers who, once again, worked tirelessly to bring this year's Karijini Experience to fruition.



This activity met Community Goal 3 of the Corporate Business Plan, celebration of history and heritage.

Helping our young writers

North Tom Price Primary has a whole school writing program, Talk4Writing, which was recently the focus of an elaborate ruse.

To support the teaching of how to write an effective persuasive letter, the Shire of Ashburton were asked to present a motivating 'writing hook' to the students. Happy to help out, and wanting to make the scenario as realistic as possible, the Shire's Operations Staff pretended to be considering the removal of a playground. Arriving early at the school, Shire staff taped off the playground and set up the front end loader and prime mover for extra effect. Students arrived to school and were bewildered by the scene. What was happening? Had we found dinosaur bones? Were we installing a flying fox? Was the playground broken?

Students were quickly gathered for an impromptu assembly where School Principal Linda Villanova, and the Shire's Operations Manager Brenton Hall, informed everyone of the pending scenario. That, for a number of reasons, the playground had to be removed. As anticipated, the moan from the student body led nicely into the announcement that the project could perhaps be delayed, but students would need to write to the Shire and explain why the playground was so important to them. Led to believe they had a chance to save their beloved playground, the mood lifted and the students were on a mission.

The morning in class was spent casting aside the normal timetable and instead focusing on the urgent matter at hand – convincing the Shire to keep the playground via a persuasive letter.

Students worked hard all morning, applying everything they had learnt about persuasive writing.

Later in the day Mrs Villanova reassembled students and let them in on the secret. Students were overjoyed and the plan had worked as teachers had hoped. Once presented with a writing hook, and a real life situation that would affect their school, students quickly became involved and were motivated to do what they could to help influence the outcome.

Congratulations to the teaching staff who put so much effort into providing the students with a learning opportunity, and well done to all of the students who put their heart and soul into their writing.



Setting the scene



Old Onslow gets heritage commendation

The Old Onslow Interpretive Signage Project was commended at the recent WA Heritage Awards as an important achievement in preserving the area's rich history.

The project, a collaboration between the Pilbara Regional Council, Department of State Development, Chevron and the Shire, aimed to ensure the conservation of the old townsite.

Installation of a series of interpretive signs tell the tale of each landmark, preserving the cultural and historical significance of the site. Old Onslow is a popular tourism destination, and the new signage has created an informative and easy to navigate self-drive tour.



This activity met Community Goal 3 of the Corporate Business Plan, celebration of history and heritage.



Signs now tell the stories of Old Onslow

School holidays were plenty of fun

Parents enjoyed moments of peace throughout the recent school holidays as kids were kept busy with a program of fun activities.

Thanks to the Shire of Ashburton's partnership with Rio Tinto and the Chevron-operated Wheatstone Project, children were kept entertained with a diverse line-up of activities to choose from.

Inflatables, team games, and circus workshops kept the kids active while Junior First Aid, Solar Astronomy and Birds of Prey demonstrations gave participants an opportunity to learn new things.

Pannawonica hosted renowned artist Emma Blyth, who conducted a number of workshops for budding creatives. Held over two sessions, children first learned about the process of designing their artwork piece before moving on to the art of painting.

Onslow were treated to a musical showcase, where after a week of workshops children performed to an enthusiastic crowd of parents, family and friends.

Shire President Kerry White said the School Holiday Programs were always well received by parents as well as the local children.

"Thanks to our partnerships with Rio Tinto and the Chevron-operated Wheatstone Project we are able to

help parents juggle their time during the holidays, as well as provide opportunities to keep kids active and busy," said Cr White.

Planning has now commenced for the July School Holiday program.



This activity met Community Goal 1 of the Corporate Business Plan, vibrant and active communities.



Enjoying the school holiday fun

Community responds to liquor restrictions survey

Thank you to those community members who took the time to complete our online survey regarding further liquor restrictions within the Shire of Ashburton. In total, 768 people completed the survey and responses to all the questions had the majority of respondents scoring against the restrictions.

As a result of the survey, Council have agreed to advise the Director of Liquor Licensing that Council does not support the implementation of further alcohol restrictions for the sale of full strength (over 3.5%) take away alcohol within the Shire at this time as:

- The majority of the community does not support further liquor restrictions;
- The community believes that further restrictions would not directly target the underlying problem;
- Further restrictions could have a negative impact on consumer choice and local businesses

While Council has no jurisdiction over implementing such restrictions, it is hoped strong community feedback from all towns within the region will help shape the decisions made by the Director of Liquor Licensing.

Welcome to Paraburdoo

The Shire of Ashburton is proud to unveil a new Visitor Information Bay in Paraburdoo, enticing visitors to stop and learn more about the town and surrounding landscape.

The new Information Bay features a modern design and an attractive, informative tourist sign, as well as a shaded rest area, making it the perfect place for travellers to stop.

The 'old' Information Bay has also been retained for historical purposes.

The Shire of Ashburton would like to thank the Paraburdoo Men's Shed for its efforts in refurbishing the old structure so that it could be preserved.

In addition to Shire funding, the new Information Bay was made possible through support from Rio Tinto and Main Roads WA.



This activity met Community Goal 2 of the Corporate Business Plan, well managed tourism.



Now and Then: the original Information Bay



Welcoming tourists to Paraburdoo

Fruit carving with the Keepers

Twelve Onslow Keepers enjoyed taking part in a fruit carving workshop hosted by the Shire's own expert, Nano Price.

Everyone was enthralled as they watched Nano transform normal pieces of fruit and vegetables into detailed art pieces.

Flowers crafted from carrots and cucumber, a customized watermelon cut especially for the Keepers, as well as some funny characters created from a variety of fruits.

Some of the Keepers had a go with a steady hand while others preferred to watch the old craft in amazement.

We look forward to seeing some decorative salad bowls on the table in Onslow!

Onslow Keepers is made possible through the Shire's Working Together for Onslow partnership with the Chevron-operated Wheatstone Project. Through supporting community events and key programs, the partnership encourages community involvement and creates a sense of belonging in Onslow.



This activity met Community Goal 1 of the Corporate Business Plan, vibrant and active communities.

Tom Price hosts indigenous swim day



On Saturday 17 March, Aboriginal families from Tom Price and the Wakuthuni community enjoyed a Swim for Fruit Waterwise Education Family Fun Day at the town's Vic Hayton Memorial Pool.

The event was a collaborative effort by the community of Tom Price, including Jen Aberle and the Little Starfish Swim School instructors, the Royal Life Saving Society of WA, Healthways, the Shire of Ashburton, Epic, Nintirri, TPYSA, the Baptist Church, Shirlene Gotz, Trish Chapman and Olivia Smith.

The event was the first of its kind in Tom Price and a huge success, with 120 people attending the day. Children were invited to learn new swimming

techniques as part of the 'go for 2 & 5 swim for fruit program', and older children had the opportunity to learn CPR under the instruction of Jen Aberle from the Little Starfish Swim School. Families enjoyed a feed of healthy fruit, salads and a barbecue, and an afternoon of pool inflatable fun. Local photographer Shirlene Gotz volunteered her time and captured many special moments of the day.

Event organisers Jen Aberle, Trish Chapman and Olivia Smith said the banding together of themselves as volunteers, the support from businesses and organisations, and the assistance from the Tom Price Emergency Services Cadets made for a fun filled and successful day.

"To see the excitement on the children's and families faces was the highlight of the day, and the feedback has been overwhelming" Trish stated. "We are so humbled by the efforts of all involved who worked tirelessly to make this a day to remember, and we are especially thankful to Marian Hearne and Vaughan Jackson from the TPYSA who stepped in at the last minute to transport the families from Wakuthuni. This is just another example of how fantastic the people of Tom Price are when approached for assistance for community events."

Due to the success of the event, it is hoped this will become an annual celebration.

STAND UP against bullying

The Tom Price Youth Support Association is proud to present the **STAND UP Against Bullying – IT ONLY TAKES ONE** campaign.

STAND UP was recently launched in Tom Price and Paraburadoo, receiving tremendous community support.

The campaign was designed in response to the high incidence of bullying that we observe between young people in our communities. This behaviour is not isolated to our towns, our state or our country, but is a global phenomenon that is pervasive and effecting young people on a daily basis.

As an organisation, the TPYSA recognised its limitations in addressing this issue in isolation and believed that a key stakeholder cooperative was necessary to create a campaign that stretched across the community with the same message. Key stakeholders were invited to join in a community wide initiative, designed to make a cultural change in attitude regarding bullying.

The Tom Price Youth Support Association would like to recognise all local stakeholders who have supported our efforts and agreed to join us in the **STAND UP Against Bullying – IT ONLY TAKES ONE** Campaign.

- Rio Tinto Iron Ore
- Department for Child Protection
- Tom Price Primary School
- The Nintirri Centre
- Tom Price Police Service
- Jen's Creations
- Shire of Ashburton
- Tom Price Senior High School
- North Tom Price Primary School
- Little Geckos
- Paraburadoo Police Service

Together we aim to make Tom Price and Paraburadoo more vibrant and resilient communities, where everyone feels that they belong and that differences are accepted and embraced. Our message is simple but powerful – **STAND UP – IT ONLY TAKES ONE!**



Medical services



Tom Price Medical Centre is introducing a new partner: PEHA (Private Emergency Health Australia) who will jointly manage the clinics in Tom Price and Paraburadoo with the Brown family. TPMC will continue to provide high quality health care with a family orientation in reflection of the values of both partners.

Commencing in May there will be changes to the doctors in each town.

Dr Qalo Sukabula will relocate from Paraburadoo to work alongside a new doctor in Tom Price, Dr Caitlin Growden. Caitlin has entrenched roots in rural Australia, having grown up a small wheat belt town of approximately 300 people. After studying in Perth she completed her GP training in Albany. Caitlin looks forward to engaging with the community as a GP and has particular interest in women's health, paediatrics, emergency medicine and mental health.

Paraburadoo Medial Centre will be serviced by Dr Peter Brackenridge and Dr Deepani Lokuratna.

In Onslow, construction of the new Onslow Health Service is nearing completion with the internal fit out now underway. You can follow the new facilities progress on Facebook.

Banners in the Terrace

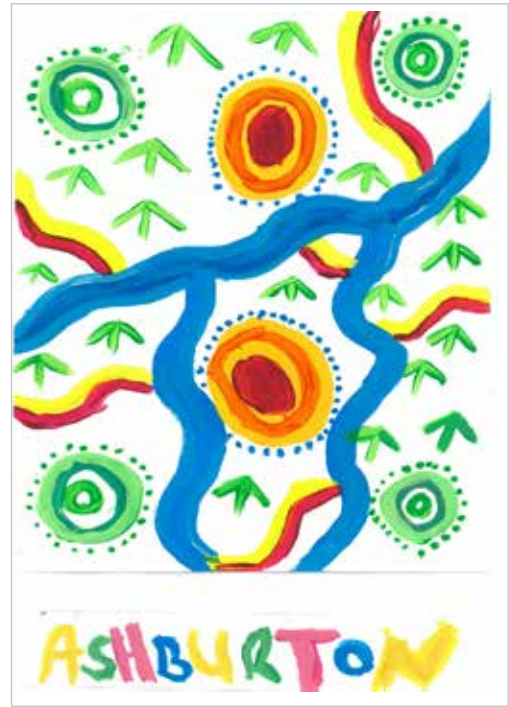
Thank you to the schools and, most importantly, the kids who participated in this year's Banners in the Terrace design competition.

Council were delighted to review all of the submissions and the task of choosing a single design was not an easy one.

Council have voted and the attached design has been chosen to represent the Shire.

The Shire of Ashburton would like to congratulate Ashlee Hayden (Year 6) from Tom Price Primary School on her beautiful design. Ashlee is part of the Polly Farmer After School Learning Club. The club has been looking at symbolism in indigenous art, the symbolism in the fire (orange circles) the gorge (blue), the spinifex (green orbs) and animal tracks. The basis of the work is the Karijini National Park and the students were looking at aerial maps of the gorges. This design is of Hamersley Gorge.

Ashlee's design will represent the Shire at the City of Perth's Banners in the Terrace display on 22 July – 4 August.



The chosen banner artwork

Greening Ashburton

Residents, schools and businesses of Tom Price, Paraburdoo, Onslow and Pannawonica are invited to participate in the Shire's annual gardening competition Greening Ashburton. The awards recognise gardens and verges that contribute to the greening of business districts, aesthetic presentation of streetscapes and sustainable living practices.

The winners will share from a total prize pool of \$2500 per town.

Visit the website for more information.



This activity met Community Goal 1 of the Corporate Business Plan, vibrant and active communities.

Greening Ashburton Gardening Awards

Final judging will take place on Friday
3rd August 2018

Prizes: Residential Front, Waterwise, Commercial and Community Group Awards will each receive \$500

Prizes: Rags to Riches & Shire President's Awards will each receive \$250

Categories!

- Residential Front Garden Award
- Best Waterwise Front Garden Award
- Rags to Riches - Most Improved
- Shire President's Encouragement Award
- Best Landscaped Commercial/Business Award
- Best Community Group Involvement Award

For more details visit www.ashburton.wa.gov.au or visit your local Shire office.

To enter, visit the shire website and complete an online entry form or send a picture of your garden and which category you wish to enter to nicky.gratt@ashburton.wa.gov. Entries close 4pm 23 July 2018. If you have difficulty submitting an entry please contact Nicky on 08 9189 4485.

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Starting a home based business

Are you looking to start a home based business?

Whether you are a hairdresser, massage therapist, family day care or cake baker, or if you're looking to start a home based business, there are a few important steps you should take before you start operating.

Depending on the type and scale of your home based business, you may require Development (Planning) and Health Approvals from the Shire prior to operating from your residence. If your business requires some renovations to get it up and running, you might also need a Building Permit.

To find out more, refer to the Home Based Business Information Sheet on the website or call the Shire on 9188 4444.

Disability Access and Inclusion Plan

The Shire of Ashburton is committed to ensuring that its community is accessible and inclusive for all residents, including those with disabilities, their families and carers.

The Shire acknowledges that people with disability have a right to access services, buildings and events and to be treated with dignity and respect, which all people need in order to feel a sense of belonging and to live healthy productive lives.

The Shire's Disability Access and Inclusion Plan (DAIP) 2018-2022 is available on the Shire website www.ashburton.wa.gov.au.

If you have any questions in regards to the DAIP please contact the Shire on 9188 4444.



This activity met Community Goal 4 of the Corporate Business Plan, accessible and safe towns.

Our new citizens

Councillors have been honoured to conduct a number of citizenship ceremonies over the last few months in Tom Price and Paraburdoo. Congratulations to our new Australian Citizens.



Alma De Leon & Cr Foster



Danielle Walker & Cr Rumble



Kate McNuff



Herbert & Mary Grace Leano & Cr Diver

School zone parking

In an effort to provide a safer environment for everyone, rangers from the Shire of Ashburton will be patrolling school parking areas in the mornings and afternoons throughout the school terms.

It is imperative that drivers are aware of the road rules and understand the signage around school zones to ensure the safety of children, road users and pedestrians. Unlawful parking in school zones is a major safety hazard and parking infringement notices may be issued for incorrect, unlawful or dangerous parking. Remember, parking legally and safely should always be your first priority.

In an effort to reduce congestion during school pick up and drop off times on Tamarind Street, Tom Price, the Shire will soon undertake works to improve the safety of this area and hopefully help increase the availability of parking spaces. Parking will soon be limited to 15 minutes only between 7:30 am to 9:00 am and between 1:30 pm to 3:00 pm on school days. Once works are completed, please pay attention to all new signage and line marking within this area.

DO NOT:

- ✗ Stop or park on a footpath or verge
- ✗ Stop on or across a driveway
- ✗ Disobey a “No Parking” or “No Stopping” sign
- ✗ Stop at or near a bus zone or bus stop
- ✗ Double park
- ✗ Stop or park on or adjacent to a median strip
- ✗ Obstruct a carriageway
- ✗ Park against the flow of traffic

Common Offence Penalties

Nature of Offence	Penalty
Causing an obstruction	\$125
Parking against the flow of traffic	\$80
Parking on a footpath/pedestrian crossing	\$150
Stopping contrary to “No Stopping” signs	\$125
Stopping within continuous yellow lines	\$125
Parking within ten metres of an intersection	\$60
Parking contrary to the direction of an authorised person	\$150
Parking on land that is not a parking facility without consent	\$125
Stopping on a verge	\$60
Driving or Parking on a Reserve	\$125

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**PROTECT
YOURSELF**



against

**DISEASE-CARRYING
MOSQUITOES**



★ **COVER UP. REPEL. CLEAN UP.** ★



**WEAR LONG,
LOOSE-FITTING,
CLOTHING.**



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Upcoming Events

Date	Event	Location
MAY		
Saturday 19 May	Colour Fun Run	Pannawonica
Saturday 19 May	Reflections of Robe Valley	Pannawonica
Tuesday 22 May	Council Meeting	Onslow Shire Complex
Fri 25 – Sun 27 May	Freestyle Now	Onslow
Tuesday 29 May	Loose Ends	Tom Price
Wednesday 30 May	Loose Ends	Paraburdoo
JUNE		
Saturday 2 June	Celebrate WA Day	Onslow
Wednesday 6 June	Onslow Keepers	Onslow
Thursday 7 June	Loose Ends	Onslow
Saturday 9 June	Gala Family Day & Gala Ball	Pannawonica
Saturday 9 June	Loose Ends	Pannawonica
Tuesday 19 June	Council Meeting	Ashburton Hall, Paraburdoo
Tuesday 19 June	Freestyle Now	Pannawonica
Wednesday 20 June	Freestyle Now	Paraburdoo
Thursday 21 June	Freestyle Now	Tom Price
Fri 22 – Sun 24 June	Freestyle Now	Onslow
JULY		
2 – 13 July	School Holiday Program	All Towns
Wednesday 4 July	Onslow Keepers	Onslow
8 – 15 July	NAIDOC Week	All Towns
Wednesday 18 July	Council Meeting	Clem Thompson Pavilion, Tom Price
Saturday 21 July	Snake Handling Course	Onslow
Wednesday 25 July	A Boy Named Cash	Pannawonica
Thursday 26 July	A Boy Named Cash	Onslow
Saturday 28 July	A Boy Named Cash	Paraburdoo
Monday 30 July	A Boy Named Cash	Tom Price

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