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Another amazing Karijini Experience

Over three thousand enthusiastic attendees immersed themselves in culture, food, music and art as part of this year's Karijini Experience. Locals and tourists; from WA, interstate and overseas, enjoyed the diverse five day program all set among the stunning Pilbara backdrop.

This year's Karijini Experience was officially opened with Wirlarra Rising, where guests were Welcomed to Country and enjoyed an

evening celebrating culture while listening to the music of Josic Alec and other talented Pilbara artists.

The event program provided plenty of opportunity to indulge in one or more of the unique experiences, including Opera by the all Indigenous Wirlarra Ensemble who performed with a WASO String Quartet on a spectacular natural stage within Kalamina Gorge. Those lucky enough to secure tickets had their taste buds tantalised beneath the stars with some of the most

divine outback culinary experiences that Australia has to offer, with the taste of the region showcased by Fervor.

Children and adults enjoyed the chance to interact with the Traditional Owners while they taught song, dance and tool and weapon making, as well as cooking local bush tucker on the camp fire. Those keen to explore further afield where invited on bush walks with Park Rangers to learn about the native flora and fauna, or trek with the geologist in residence to learn more about the ancient rock formations within the National Park.

There were plenty of free, family friendly activities and shows that aimed to inspire and enrich, including music and art workshops, collaborative art pieces and yoga for kids.

A group of lucky participants seized the rare opportunity to learn traditional basket weaving techniques in an intimate workshop with the Martumilli artists, and proudly took home their own weaved creations. Avid photographers practiced their skills and received tuition from renowned international photography journalist Dan Avila, all within the stunning gorges and scenery that Karijini offers.

As is tradition, the Moonrise Lounge closed the 2017 Karijini Experience



Another amazing Karijini Experience

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with an exciting line-up of nationally and internationally renowned Australian musicians, against the backdrop of the full moon in the star studded Pilbara sky. Visitors to the Moonrise Lounge also enjoyed the opportunity to purchase artisan products from the Makers Market, while also having a rare insight into the spiritual dance ceremony of Traditional Owners.

Planning for next year's event has begun, with another program of exciting experiences that makes this iconic event so unique. Mark the 17 - 21 April 2018 in your diaries and plan to be here, as this event truly is what memories are made of.



This activity met Community Goal 3 of the Corporate Business Plan, Unique Heritage and Environment.



The Paraburdoo Community Hub on track to deliver a vibrant township



The Paraburdoo Community Hub aims to create a vibrant township and an enjoyable local lifestyle. Through the provision of purpose built infrastructure the delivery of appropriate programs and services will be enhanced, meeting the needs of the local community and enriching the liveability of Paraburdoo.

The project forms part of the Community Infrastructure and Services Partnership between the Shire of Ashburton and Rio Tinto, which continues to focus on making the region a better place to live and work.

The Community Hub will deliver flexible multi-use spaces that complement existing infrastructure while also extending the useful life of the Sports Pavilion into a repurposed facility to house the Karingal Neighbourhood Centre. There will also be upgraded and new fit for purpose, centrally located facilities to support oval and pool users, as well as other recreation activities. All components of the Community Hub have been designed to improve and expand access to, and the delivery of, a range of critical community services and

activities that will enhance the wellbeing of residents.

Hodge Collard Preston was awarded the Architectural services tender in January 2017 and have worked through the existing concept designs as well as the feedback provided from the project reference group, which is a collaboration of community stakeholders.

Schematic designs were presented to Council in April, and these final concepts will now be used to progress the detailed design for Tender to secure a construction company to undertake the works on behalf of the Shire.

The construction works are expected to be completed late 2018.

This project is supported by the State Government's Royalties for Regions Pilbara Cities initiative administered by the Pilbara Development Commission, and Rio Tinto.

This activity met Community Goal 4 of the Corporate Business Plan, Distinctive and Well Serviced Places



Celebrating our volunteers

National Volunteer Week is celebrated during May and is a perfect reminder to acknowledge and thank the many volunteers who give up their time for the benefit of our communities. Sporting organisations and clubs, as well as small community groups, are run by volunteers who work willingly and without financial reward to better the experiences within their local town.

In partnership with Rio Tinto, the Shire of Ashburton is committed to celebrating the contributions of volunteers and, through the Active Ashburton Volunteer of the Month awards, recognise nominated volunteers every month.

These awards are an acknowledgement of these personal contributions and the wider community is encouraged to take the time to nominate recipients who volunteer tirelessly within your group, club or town.

Nomination forms are available from your local Community Development Office, the Shire of Ashburton website or by emailing Active.Ashburton@ashburton.wa.gov.au. All nominations received remain current for six months.

Who will you nominate?

This activity met Community Goal 1 of the Corporate Business Plan, Vibrant and Active Communities



Communities gather in remembrance of our ANZACs

Residents and tourists gathered across the Shire of Ashburton to commemorate and remember the ANZACs who fought and gave their lives for our freedom.

A number of dawn services were held throughout the Shire, proudly supported by Rio Tinto and the Chevron-operated Wheatstone Project.

Wreaths were laid by dignitaries, ex-service personnel, military and community members in memory of all Australians and New Zealanders who have served in all wars, conflicts and peacekeeping operations.

Past and present members of the armed forces and their descendants proudly participated in the ANZAC Day marches, which was followed by a traditional Gunfire breakfast in each town.

Shire President Kerry White said it was touching to see the ANZAC spirit and

sense of national pride is as strong as ever within the Pilbara.

“Attendance at the ANZAC Day services was overwhelming. It is fantastic to see our community come together to commemorate and pay respects to both those who have passed and are still active service members,” says Cr White.

General Manager Tom Price operations Greg Bacon said Rio Tinto was proud to play a role in commemorating the brave work of fallen and serving soldiers.

“Rio Tinto recognises the courageous spirit demonstrated and passed on by the ANZACs. We are honoured to join together with Pilbara families for these services to reflect on the mateship and selfless sacrifice of service men and women,” Mr Bacon said. “We would also like to acknowledge all volunteers, family members and organisations who take part in these events and those who march and

lay wreaths in honour of their fallen loved ones.”

Wheatstone HES Specialist and new Onslow resident Rob Cowan participated in the wreath-laying ceremony at Onslow’s iconic ANZAC memorial.

“It was my first ANZAC dawn service in Onslow and I was moved by the strong turn-out,” Mr Cowan said.

“It was great to have a group from the Wheatstone Project site join the community service and bring with them plenty of ANZAC biscuits for the community to enjoy.”

The tradition continued throughout the day with lively games of two-up, along with an interesting collection of military memorabilia which helped raise valuable funds for Legacy and ensure the stories of our ANZACs are passed on to new generations.



Crowds gather to commemorate the ANZACs

Introducing Dale Stewart

Council welcomed Mr Dale Stewart at the March Ordinary Meeting of Council to the position of Acting CEO. Council also took the opportunity to farewell Neil Hartley, who had resigned from the role and returned to Perth.

Mr Stewart will fill the role for six months, during which time the recruitment process will be undertaken to formally appoint a new Chief Executive Officer.

Shire President Kerry White said that Mr Stewart has over 31 years experience in Local Government and his high level of qualifications are well suited to managing the Shire's operations throughout this period.

Council are pleased to welcome Dale to the Shire and are confident his vast career experience will be valuable as the Shire continues to progress our financial and strategic plans.

Getting to know Dale

Born and bred in country WA, Dale is happily married with three children aged 19, 17 and 10.

Nearing 32 years in local government, Dale has worked in many parts of the State including stints as CEO of Denmark, Brookton and Wongan-Ballidu and Deputy CEO / Director of Finance at Port Hedland, Chittering and York.

Born with a naturally inquisitive character Dale describes himself as a natural 'rock turner' and strives to look for solutions through building partnerships and lateral thinking.

When asked about joining the Shire as Acting CEO Dale shared his two primary goals.

"My role here over the next few months is first and foremost to replace myself, through assisting Council with the process of recruitment of a new CEO. Secondly to ensure that the organisation runs 'business as usual' with normal processes including ensuring projects continue to be well managed and

closed out, on time and on budget."

Outside of work Dale has already spent many hours exploring the vast Pilbara landscape to discover great camping and swimming spots. He is also a self-declared cricket tragic and avid West Coast Eagles supporter.



Listening to our local youth

The Shire of Ashburton in collaboration with Tom Price Youth Support Association (TPYSA) recently delivered a One Day Youth Engagement Training Workshop titled 'Youth, The Voice (YTV)'. Held in Onslow at the Multipurpose Complex, with 13 eager Pannawonica and Onslow Youth, the workshop was a vibrant and inclusive environment to meet new friends, have fun, keep healthy, build a sense of belonging, learn new skills and realise dreams.

The workshop concept was originally designed after discussions between the Shire of Ashburton and the TPYSA where it was recognized that young people are equal and equitable members of the community and need the opportunity to voice their opinion on issues which affect them locally.

The forum provided valuable opportunities for participants to develop communication and negotiation skills, build confidence and self-worth and also identify ways in which they would like to communicate their ideas to the Shire in the future.

The Shire of Ashburton aims to consult with young people on a regular basis on a wide range of issues, to involve our local youth in further development and implementation of local government projects and plans.

The Shire and Tom Price Youth Support Association would like to thank the Department of Local Government and Communities for their ongoing support of youth projects within the Shire of Ashburton and for their involvement in making YTV a new and exciting reality.

A 'Youth, The Voice' workshop will be held in Tom Price, for Paraburdoo and Tom Price Youth, in the coming months so stay tuned for more details.



"Youth, The Voice" participants.

This activity met Community Goal 1 of the Corporate Business Plan, Vibrant and Active Communities.



Tom Price comes together for road safety



Reminding travelers to take care on our roads.

Easter is a time for coming together and this year the local Tom Price churches partnered with WALGA's RoadWise to help the community promote road safety through the Blessing of the Roads campaign.

The Combined Churches group of Tom Price held a 'Blessing of the Roads' on Sunday 9 April where Reverend John Dihm, Sister Margaret Culhane and Pastor Gavin Douglas urged everyone to remain vigilant and cautious.

Shire of Ashburton Councillor Peter Foster officiated the ceremony, and together with the Combined Churches, reminded the community to plan their travel carefully, travel at a safe speed, take regular breaks, turn off your mobile phone and buckle up.

Road Safety is about working together to achieve a safe system and the Blessing of the Roads campaign is just one of the many ways in which we can contribute to reducing the number of people killed or seriously injured on our roads.

Muzzy's Annual Community Fundraiser

If you are in Tom Price on Saturday 27 May, head down to the Muzzy's carpark to support their annual community fundraiser.

With plenty on offer and some great prizes to be won, it is a great opportunity to support the local community groups raise much needed funds.

- Baby Animal Petting Farm
- Bouncy Castle
- Face Painting
- Raffles
- Fire Truck Rides
- Balloon Twister & Magician
- Masseuse
- DJ
- Hot Fresh Donuts
- Hot Food Stalls
- Cake Stalls
- Psychic
- Games
- Colouring Competition
- Car Wash
- Rides
- Showbags
- Fairy Floss, Popcorn & Toffee Apples
- Treasure stall

Proud new Australian Citizen

Cr Peter Foster had the recent privilege of officiating the citizenship ceremony for Shire of Ashburton employee Mazidul Hakim.

Mazidul has been living in Australia for 11 years and joined the Shire as our IT Systems Administrator in 2014.

Shire Councillors regularly officiate citizenship ceremonies and have already welcomed four new Australian Citizens into our communities this year.

Details on how to apply for citizenship, including relevant forms, can be found on the Department of Border Protection website.

www.citizenship.gov.au



Mazidul is proud to receive his citizenship

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Giving it a Go proves plenty of fun



Big T entertained Paraburdoo.



Giving it a go at the Tour de Tom Price.



Made possible through a partnership between the Shire of Ashburton and Rio Tinto, the recent Give it a Go Day events in Tom Price and Paraburdoo aimed to raise awareness of, and encourage participation in, local sport and activity for people of all abilities.

Tom Price took to the streets as part of the Tour De Tom Price, following a map to complete challenges at various locations with activities set up by local groups. Participants took to the BMX and Go Cart tracks, tried their hand at cricket, disc golf, tee-ball, tennis and softball, as well as dropping in to check out the local Youth Centre. The trail ended at the Bowling Club with dinner, presentations and entertainment.

Despite the weather Paraburdoo residents enjoyed a range of fun activities in the Ashburton Hall, including CPR competitions and spot the hazard activities.

The afternoon was topped off with a special performance by X Factor favourite Big T who entertained the crowd while also giving many of the challenges a go.

Give it a Go Day showcases the services available to residents of all abilities and backgrounds. Community groups, clubs and small businesses combine to promote what their local town has to offer.

Shire President Kerry White believes the Give it a Go Days are important community events for residents of all ages. "Sport and recreation are key social elements in our towns as they promote an engaging and healthy lifestyle, while also creating pathways for long lasting friendships," said Cr White.

Gabe Iwanow, General Manager Paraburdoo Operations, says the Give it a Go days are an important event in the calendar for clubs and groups to draw in new members and volunteers.

"Involving residents in local activities and events is important to help us find connections and a sense of place in the community," said Ms Iwanow.

"Each town has so much to offer and we are proud to support an event which allows people to meet new friends, try something different and see how they can be more involved in activities."

The Shire extends a big thank you to all clubs and groups who contributed their time and efforts, as well as to our event partners who helped bring the day to fruition.

This activity met Community Goal 1 of the Corporate Business Plan, Vibrant and Active Communities.



Onslow celebrates with a splash



Onslow celebrates with a community pool party

The Shire of Ashburton, in partnership with the Chevron-operated Wheatstone Project and the Department of State Development, recently celebrated the opening of the Onslow Aquatic Centre.

An all-encompassing community pool party was enjoyed with music, games, prizes and plenty of inflatable flamingos, beach balls and donuts. Roving Aussie lifeguards ‘Chiko and Dicko’ were on hand to ensure everyone was safe and in the pool party spirit.

Shire President Kerry White said the new Aquatic Centre had been an aspiration for the Shire and the community for many years.

“The completion of the Onslow Aquatic Centre is a great achievement made possible through great partnerships and a number of years of dedicated work,” said Cr White.

“We are proud to have built such a wonderful new facility and enjoy seeing it now being used by so many of our Onslow residents.”

Wheatstone Asset Manager Rob Dobrik, who officiated the opening with Cr White, said the local community has eagerly awaited the opening of a public swimming pool in Onslow.

“Since our early community engagement activities here almost ten years ago and consistently through Chevron’s annual community perception surveys, we have heard that a local Aquatic Centre was one of the community’s top priorities for social infrastructure investment in the town,” Mr Dobrik said.

“It is very rewarding to see the pool finished, open to the public and to see local residents making the most of the new facilities.”

In an effort to ensure pool safety, Onslow School is delivering swimming lessons for its students and private lessons have also become available.

The Onslow Aquatic Centre features a 25 metre, six lane swimming pool with a shallow beach entry and free-form area, shade sails, kiosk, change rooms and a first aid room.

The facility is open daily during the summer months until 31 May and hosts a variety of social and sporting activities. For more information regarding the Aquatic Centre the Pool Manager can be contacted on 9184 9301.

This activity met
Community Goal 4 of
the Corporate Business
Plan, Distinctive and Well
Served Places.



Shire introduces new Strategic Community Plan

The Shire of Ashburton is comprised of diverse towns and communities that stretch across pristine coastal and inland Pilbara environments. Our communities consist of people from a range of backgrounds whom enjoy the economic and employment opportunities on offer, while also relishing the unique lifestyle that this part of the world provides.

The Shire has the responsibility as a Local Government Authority to effectively plan for the future interests of the communities it serves, to create vibrant places to live life. The new Strategic Community Plan 2017-2027 has been developed to provide a clear direction for the future advancement of the Shire, its towns and communities. The plan has been created through consultation with the community, relevant stakeholders and elected members.

The Strategic Community Plan provides a holistic approach to planning for the future development and growth across the Shire, while recognising and responding to the distinctive nature of each town and community. In reviewing and updating this plan, the Shire has endeavoured to reflect and respond to community needs and aspirations, whilst also considering the resources available to deliver quality services and facilities.

The Shire's Living Life – Strategic Community Plan 2017 to 2027 captures the views of our diverse community, our vision for the future, our planning imperatives and provides direction for the next decade.



The consultation process undertaken included community focus groups in each town, interviews with key stakeholders and a comprehensive community survey.

This enabled a robust review of progress in meeting the priorities identified when the plan was originally formulated in 2012.

Shire President Kerry White said that the consultation process reinforced the importance of a number of existing directions and identified others to be addressed in coming years.

"The Shire recognises that it must work closely with the community and

stakeholders to enhance our engagement processes in order to build their enthusiasm, ownership and the capacity so that the Shire and these groups can deliver the plan in partnership," said Cr White.

"Our Elected Members and Shire Officers are committed to generating positive outcomes for all ratepayers, businesses and residents through the delivery of the best possible services and infrastructure that will ensure we have liveable and connected towns and communities."

"This plan provides the direction we need to achieve this. We will continue to monitor progress towards the identified objectives and strategic directions to ensure tangible and sustainable outcomes are delivered."

Cr White reinforced the understanding that the Strategic Community plan belongs to everyone and the Shire would like to recognise and sincerely thank all the stakeholders, community members and staff who contributed to its development.

"I invite you all to read this document and encourage you to partner with us to positively influence the development of your community over the next decade."

The Strategic Community Plan 2017 – 2027 can be viewed on the Shire's website, or you can grab a copy from your local Shire Administration Office.

This activity met
Community Goal 5 of the
Corporate Business Plan,
Inspiring Governance.



Festival to celebrate Home Industry creativity

The Nameless Jarndunmunah Festival REWIND 2017 is fast approaching and, if you haven't already, it's time to think about the newest event over festival weekend; Home Industry.

This event celebrates art, photography, craft, baking, cake decoration, sewing, gardening, shed creations, preserves and wearable art.

Home Industry stemmed from the need to celebrate the wide range of local homemade creations, with contributions from our youngest to our more senior citizens, and is an excellent chance to exhibit your work and perhaps even



challenge a friend or a colleague to enter with you.

All entries will be on display in the Home Industry pavilion during the festival

weekend, showcasing the huge variety of local talent and creativity that exists within the community.

Entry forms can be submitted online via www.namelessfestival.com.au or posted to Nameless Festival, PO Box 249, Tom Price WA 6751. All entry forms must be received by Friday 21 July, with no late entries accepted.

Be part of this amazing event and show us what you can do!

Follow Nameless Festival on Facebook or check out the website to keep updated with each of the exciting components planned for this year's event.

School Holidays were plenty of fun

Keeping the kids busy throughout the school holidays can often be a difficult task for any parent. That job was made much easier for parents thanks to the Shire of Ashburton's partnerships with Rio Tinto and the Chevron-operated Wheatstone Project.

Children of all ages were entertained throughout the recent holidays with an array of challenging and creative activities.

Easter and ANZAC Day were the primary focus with a program of themed craft workshops and baking activities. The creativity continued with Acro and Hip Hop dance as well as Circus Workshops which challenged participants both physically and mentally as they learnt new skills and routines.

Laser Tag, pool fun and orienteering kept the kids active, while story time and movie days ensured some quiet time to recharge their batteries.

Shire President Kerry White said it is wonderful to see the holiday program so keenly supported within the communities, with an array of activities on offer for the children.

"Thanks to our partnerships with Rio Tinto and the Chevron-operated Wheatstone Project, we are able to offer engaging and fun entertainment for children of all ages," said Cr White. "While we recognise that it's important to keep children busy and active,

we also acknowledge the importance of providing support to parents throughout the holiday period."

General Manager Paraburdoo operations Gabe Iwanow said the school holiday program provided a great opportunity for families to get out of the house, try something new and meet other people.

"Our partnership with the Shire of Ashburton goes beyond traditional events and infrastructure support – we also enable the delivery of programs that encourage people to make connections and build strong networks all year round," Ms Iwanow said. "We are proud to support the school holiday program which assists working families and also provides a creative outlet for local children."

In Onslow, the school holidays program is made possible through the Shire of Ashburton'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.

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.



See it, Report it!

The Customer Action Request (CAR) is to enable people living in the Shire to report issues or circumstances that need our attention.

If you see something you think we should know about, complete the online form which can be found on the home page of the website, or call in to your local Shire office to complete a CAR form.

Examples of issues to report include:

- lights out at Shire facilities such as tennis courts or halls
- potholes on Shire roads
- tree branches that need trimming/removal
- blocked drainage

So if you see it, please report it!

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Medical Entomology Team visit Tom Price

The Shire of Ashburton's Environmental Health team in Tom Price recently had the opportunity to spend time with Dr. Andrew Jardine and Mr Craig Brockway, from the Medical Entomology Division at the Department of Health WA.

Based in Perth, the two officers flew to the Kimberley in early April to undertake mosquito trapping before continuing their journey into the Pilbara to trap and gather more data.

Mosquito trapping is undertaken by the Department of Health and local government in northwest towns to monitor the number and species of mosquitos. Species identification plays an important role as this information is used to detect known species that can harbour mosquito borne disease that can be transmitted to humans.

While in Tom Price the team set up ten traps using dry ice to attract the mosquitos at various locations. After 12 hours the traps were collected, with the mosquitos to be processed for identification once back in Perth. The numbers of mosquitos collected were similar to the amount currently being trapped in the Shire's mosquito monitoring program.



Mr Craig Brockway, Dr. Andrew Jardine and Kate Timmons

The highest number collected on this occasion was at the Tom Price LIA, potentially due to the amount of natural scrub and bushland surrounding the area which makes it an ideal place to harbour adult mosquitos.

Following the completion of the data gathering process Dr. Jardine commented that the number of mosquitos collected in

Tom Price were amongst the lowest in any northwest town they had trapped so far.

The Shire will continue monitoring mosquito activity in the local areas through trapping, and also testing of the sentinel chicken flocks based in each town, which helps detect the presence of mosquito borne diseases.

National Youth Week gets creative

The Shire of Ashburton celebrated National Youth Week with Art Workshops in Pannawonica, Paraburdoo and Tom Price, hosted by local Paraburdoo artist DMERC. Participating youth learnt different techniques using spray paints and enjoyed the opportunity to create their own piece of artwork.

Shire President Kerry White said that activities which engage our local youth are always important and play a key role in the development of our communities, as well as providing kids with opportunities to learn.

"Encouraging our youth to be actively involved in their local community provides valuable opportunities for expression of ideas as well as skill development," said Cr White. "It is also a way in which we can acknowledge their positive contribution to our towns and enhance their sense of belonging."

The Shire would like to thank Rio Tinto, Tom Price Youth Support Association, Byblos Construction and Pannawonica Volunteer Fire brigade whose generous support made these youth workshops possible.

This activity met Community Goal 1 of the Corporate Business Plan, Vibrant and Active Communities



The perfect time to explore our own backyard

With the cooler weather upon us, now is the ideal time to explore the beauty that lies within the Shire of Ashburton.

There is never a shortage of things to do and sights to see, with something to suit a lazy day out or a more challenging adventure.

- Tom Price Rio Tinto Mine Tour – one of the largest open cut iron ore mines in the world
- Enjoy a guided day tour through Karijini National Park with Lestok Tours
- Drive up Mt Nameless – WA's highest accessible peak by 4WD
- Camp at Karijini National Park and explore the array of gorges by day and the stars by night
- Explore some of the more challenging gorges with a West Oz Active tour
- Visit Paraburdoo, one of our smaller towns with hidden charms
- Camp at Millstream Chichester National Park and enjoy the beauty of the many waterways and explore the old homestead
- Pass through Pannawonica, one of the last closed towns accessible to the public and home to the Pannawonica Rodeo

- Picnic at one of the many beautiful parks, playgrounds or swimming spots
- Camp at Cheela Plains, a working Cattle Station with hidden water holes and awesome views
- Explore 'Old Onslow' – the original town that was abandoned in 1925, now home to restored ruins
- Staircase to the Moon in Onslow – one of the best places to see this phenomenon
- Visit Mackerel Islands Resort – a perfect place for the whole family to enjoy, including fishing and snorkeling

Whether you are planning on enjoying a leisurely picnic or heading out to explore, please monitor road and weather conditions, and ensure you have plenty of water and your vehicle is in good working order. The Pilbara is a vast oasis and it is advisable, where possible, to tell someone where you are going and your expected return.

For more information on the above activities, or if you would like some more ideas, call into the Tom Price or Onslow Visitor Centre and chat to the friendly staff. Alternatively visit www.tomprice.org.au.

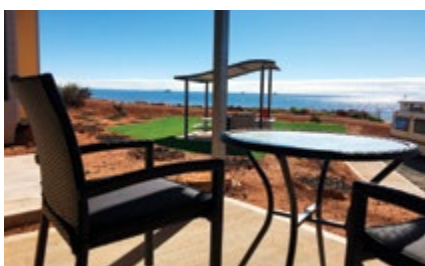
Top Waste Sites in WA

Inspectors from the Department of Environment Regulation were recently in the Pilbara conducting their reviews of each of the Shire's four Waste Management facilities.

Following their thorough review of the Shire's sites and management operations, DER Inspectors declared the Tom Price and Paraburdoo facilities some of the best managed sites in Western Australia. They were also extremely impressed with the Onslow facilities including the recently closed landfill and the Waste Transfer Station.

Congratulations to our Infrastructure Services and Waste Management teams who do an outstanding job, within a not so favorable environment.

This activity met Community Goal 5 of the Corporate Business Plan, Inspiring Governance



Explore the beauty of the Pilbara



Upcoming Events



Date	Event	Location
MAY		
Saturday 13 May	Mother's Day Markets	Tom Price
Saturday 13 May	Mother's Day Classic	Pannawonica
Thursday 18 May	Ray Ryder concert	Tom Price
Friday 19 May	Rio Tinto Picnic Day	Paraburdoo
Saturday 20 May	Rio Tinto Picnic Day	Tom Price
Tuesday 23 May	Council Meeting	Onslow Shire Complex
Saturday 27 May	Muzzy's Community Fundraiser	Tom Price
JUNE		
Monday 5 June	Western Australia Day Public Holiday	All towns
Saturday 10 June	King of the Mountain	Tom Price
Tuesday 20 June	Council Meeting	Ashburton Hall, Paraburdoo
Saturday 24 June	Community Markets	Tom Price
Sun 25 June – Sun 2 July	Pilbara Darts Championships	Tom Price
Sunday 25 June	Paraburdoo MotoX Round 4	Paraburdoo
JULY		
Sun 2 – Sun 9 July	NAIDOC Week	All towns
Mon 3 – Fri 14 July	School Holiday Program	All towns
Fri 7 – Sat 8 July	Fortescue NFL vs Gascoyne Football Assoc	Tom Price
Tuesday 18 July	Council Meeting	Clem Thompson Sports Pavilion, Tom Price
Sat 29 – Sun 30 July	Northwest Motocross Assoc Round	Tom Price

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