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JANUARY 2022



TOURISM SERVICES



ROAD SERVICES



SPECIAL PROJECTS





I hope everyone had a great Christmas and New Year's, it was a much needed break for us all but it's great to see everyone back into the swing of things again.

I want to say a big thank you and goodbye to Lew, he has been invaluable for the last 3 years and I'm sure we'll all miss him.

Amer is starting on Monday 31st January, which is exciting, it will be nice to have a new face in the workforce and I'm sure there are great things to come from him stepping into this role.

We've had a few COVID cases in town however everyone has done the right thing and stayed home so I want to thank those affected for keeping the rest of us safe.

There are some great funding opportunities coming out, if Council is successful with our application it will go a long way with the Warri Gate & Arrabury Roads.

Council held a teleconference with Telstra representative May Boisen and invited business owners and properties in Bulloo Shire to attend, Council is hoping to gain approval to place an automatic switch over generator at the Telstra yard and engage a local contractor to attend if necessary, which would mean Thargomindah and surrounds would not lose Telstra services for a long period of time when we have no power.

Looking forward to seeing you in the New Year,

MAYOR FERGUSON

CARRYING OUT ASSESSABLE DEVELOPMENT WITHOUT PERMIT

In accordance with section 163(1) of the Planning Act 2016 a person must not carry out assessable development, unless all necessary development permits are in effect for the development.

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Council has no record of a Development Application for Building Work being submitted prior to commencement you will be requested to cease immediately and not recommence until all necessary approvals are in place. If building work is complete, take steps immediately to submit all required applications and supporting documentation to enable formal approval to be considered.

Please be advised that submission of an application does not guarantee approval.

Council may commence further enforcement steps if a Development Application for Building Work is not submitted. Carrying out assessable development without permit may result in a maximum of 4,500 penalty units. 1 penalty unit is \$137.00

Under the Planning Act 2016, Building Work is defined as follows: "(a) building, repairing, altering, underpinning (whether by vertical or lateral support), moving or demolishing a building or other structure; or"

Pursuant to the Queensland Building Act 1975, a building is defined as:

- "(1) A building is a fixed structure that is wholly or partly enclosed by walls or is roofed;
- (2) The term includes a floating building and any part of a building."

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Rural Lands

Welcome to the New Year, the Rural Services Team hope you all had a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

James has been busy checking for and spraying weeds in town at the treatment plant, checking for Parkinsonia along the river, checking Coral Cactus at Hungerford and along the Black Gate Road – both sites are being contained by the cochineal bug. He has also checked for any regrowth of Tobacco Bush and Calthrope on Yakara.





Parkinsonia plants along the river



Coral Cactus at Hungerford



Coral Cactus at Black Gate

Fodder and the general biosecurity obligation

Biosecurity Act 2014



The movement of fodder is a significant biosecurity risk for agriculture, the environment and community.

Fodder provides an ideal medium for wide dispersal of weed seed to new locations around the state. The quality of fodder is variable and often dispersed great distances from where it was harvested. It is not uncommon that weeds present at the point of sale may not be present where the fodder is used. This situation is exacerbated in times of drought where quality often declines and dispersal distances increase. The consumption of weed seed by stock is an ideal mechanism to further spread weed seeds in new situations.

Biosecurity risks such as weed spread can impact landowners and have a significant impact on the profitability and sustainability of the fodder industry.

Under the Biosecurity Act 2014, biosecurity in the fodder industry will be largely managed through the general biosecurity obligation, where everyone has an obligation to minimise the impact the biosecurity risk of weeds under their control. Growers, sellers and buyers share a responsibility to ensure good biosecurity practices are followed. It encourages the sharing of information on biosecurity to increase awareness of risks and improve risk identification and mitigation.

For example:

The seller of fodder cannot knowingly spread weeds.
 The seller should also disclose if a weed may likely be

present in the fodder and advise the buyer on how to treat the product to ensure that any germinated weed seeds are unsuccessful.

- The buyer has an obligation to be vigilant and treat the weed if and when they germinate. It is good practice to restrict the movement of cattle while hand feeding to limit the area where weeds may be dispersed.
- The buyer should consider that the movement of fodder onto their property increases the risk of transferring weeds and pests and ensure this is mitigated by purchasing from a reliable source. It is the buyer's choice whether to ask for a vendor or commodity declaration detailing the likelihood of weed contamination and what weeds to look for.
- It is also important to ensure vehicles and equipment carrying fodder be cleaned before and after to reduce the spread of pests, diseases, weeds and contaminants. Land managers are within their rights to request this and to not allow any vehicles on to their property that present an unreasonable risk.

Further information

For more information about the Act visit daf.qld.gov.au or call 13 25 23.



Mother-in-law's tongue

Sansevieria trifasciata



Native to Nigeria, mother-in-law's tongue prefers well-drained soils in shady areas, but will tolerate dry periods.

A popluar garden plant that when dumped as garden waste will survive and establish well in bushland crowding out low growing native plants. Mother-in-law's tongue spreads by rhizomes as dumped garden waste.

Legal requirements

Mother-in-law's tongue is not a prohibited or restricted invasive plant under the *Biosecurity Act 2014*. However, by law, everyone has a general biosecurity obligation (GBO) to take reasonable and practical steps to minimise the risks associated with invasive plants under their control.

Local governments must have a biosecurity plan that covers invasive plants in their area. This plan may include actions to be taken on certain species. Some of these actions may be required under local laws. Contact your local government for more information.

Description

Mother-in-law's tongue is a herb or forb that grows upright to 60 cm. Leaves emerge from rhizomes as stiff, lance-shaped leaves, 0.6–1.2 m long, which are dark green with a mottling of grey-green and yellow throughout. Flowers are small, cream to green and tubular, 25–30 mm long, carried on a spike. The fruit is small round orange berries 7–9 mm. Seeds are pale brown, oblong 6–7 mm long and 5 mm wide. Rhizomes are bright orange colour, thick and fleshy, succulent in nature.

Control

Manual control

Carefully dig out isolated plants and small infestations, making sure that all fragments of the substantial rhizome system are removed. This requires persistent effort and very regular monitoring of the site and removal of any new growth and its rhizome. To prevent reshooting, all plant pieces should be put into strong bags and removed from bushland.

Herbicide control

There are no herbicide products specifically registered for the control of mother-in-law's tongue in Queensland. However, a permit held by the Department of Agriculture and Fisheries allows people generally to use some herbicide products to control mother-in-law's tongue as an environmental weed in various situations.

See Table 1 for the treatment options in situations allowed by the permit.

Prior to using the herbicides listed under this permit (PER11463) you must read or have read to you and understand the conditions of the permit. To obtain a copy of this permit visit apvma.gov.au.

Follow up

Monitor treated areas regularly for any new seedlings or regrowth.

Further information

Further information is available from your local government office, or by contacting Biosecurity Queensland on 13 25 23 or visit biosecurity.qld.gov.au.

Table 1. Herbicides for the control of mother-in-law's tongue

Siutation	Herbicide	Rate	Registration details	Comments
Non-agricultural areas, domestic and public service areas, commercial and industrial areas, bushland/native forests, roadsides, rights-of-way, vacant lots, wastelands, wetlands, dunal and coastal areas	Glyphosate 360 g/L (e.g. Glyphosate 36) and other formulations Metsulfuron-methyl 600 g/kg		APVMA permit PER11463 Permit expires 30/06/2023	Addition of a wetting agent is essential
	(e.g. Associate, Ken-Met 600 WG)	plus a wetting agent		
	Imazapyr 250 g/L (e.g. Unimaz 250 SL, Warrant 250)	200 mL per 100 L water plus wetting agent		Do not use imazapyr near desirable plants or where their roots may extend

Read the label carefully before use. Always use the herbicide in accordance with the directions on the label.



This fact sheet is developed with funding support from the Land Protection Fund.

Fact sheets are available from Department of Agriculture and Fisheries (DAF) service centres and our Customer Service Centre (telephone 13 25 23). Check our website at biosecurity.qld.gov.au to ensure you have the latest version of this fact sheet. The control methods referred to in this fact sheet should be used in accordance with the restrictions (federal and state legislation, and local government laws) directly or indirectly related to each control method. These restrictions may prevent the use of one or more of the methods referred to, depending on individual circumstances. While every care is taken to ensure the accuracy of this information, DAF does not invite reliance upon it, nor accept responsibility for any loss or damage caused by actions based on it.



31 January 2022

Deadly dog disease confirmed in Queensland

The tick-borne dog disease ehrlichiosis has been confirmed in a Queensland dog. It is reported that this dog had not travelled outside of Queensland, meaning the disease has likely found its way into our local tick population.

Dogs can become sick if they are bitten by a brown dog tick infected with the bacteria that causes the disease - Ehrlichia canis (E. canis). With the wet season well underway, this is particularly important as ticks are likely to be abundant.

The brown dog tick is found across most of Australia and many dogs may be at risk of infection.

You can protect your dog and stop the spread.



Before you take your dog to, or through, an area where the brown dog tick is found:

- Ensure your dog is on an effective tick prevention and control program including an external tick control that kills brown dog ticks on contact, before the tick can attach to your dog. Speak to your veterinarian for advice about effective tick prevention and control products for your dog.
- · Avoid taking your dog into tick-infested areas, such as the bush, as much as possible.
- · Avoid taking your dog to areas where infected dogs or ticks may be present including shared dog areas.
- Regularly inspect your dogs for ticks and carefully remove any ticks. Run your fingers through your dog's
 coat over their skin and feel for abnormal bumps. Pay particular attention to the head and neck, inside their
 ears, on their chest, between their toes and around their mouths and gums.

Always keep an eye on your dog's health. If your dog has not been on a tick prevention program, is sick or has had a tick on them, talk to your vet.

Early treatment and supportive care provide an infected dog with the best chance of recovery. Talk to a vet immediately if you notice these signs in your dog:

- · unusual tiredness or fatigue
- · loss of appetite and weight loss
- enlarged glands (lymph nodes)
- · cloudy or red eyes
- · mucky eyes and nose
- pale gums
- · swelling on the body or limbs
- · bruising or bleeding under the skin.

If you suspect a dog is infected with E. canis you must report it to the Emergency Animal Disease Watch Hotline on 1800 675 888.

More information

To find out more about canine ehrlichiosis, visit <u>Biosecurity Queensland's website</u> or call the Customer Service Centre on 13 25 23.

Biosecurity Queensland is part of the Department of Agriculture and Fisheries.

AUSTRALIA DAY 2022 IN THARGO

This year our Australia Day celebrations were held at the Thargomindah Football oval. The community came together to enjoy some good old fashion fun like three legged races, sack races, wheel-barrow races and Tug-of-war (which the adults also joined in on).

After this we came to the main event, kiddie pool softball, in which 6 teams competed. The Bulloo Crew where the winners on the day after a hard played final against Jordyn's Jokers. The Bulloo Crew fought hard and dodged those water bombs to come out winners 5/2 in the final.

There where lots of fun had throughout the day, with over 1000 water balloons used and the recent rain, everyone was well hydrated, on the outside anyway. A fabulous BBQ dinner was enjoyed by all to end the day's festivities.

There were approximately 100 residents from both town and surrounding properties in attendance which was fantastic to see and the community spirit ran high as usual.

I'd like to thank all those who helped with the cooking of the BBQ, it was very much appreciated and to all those who attended and made the day the great success.





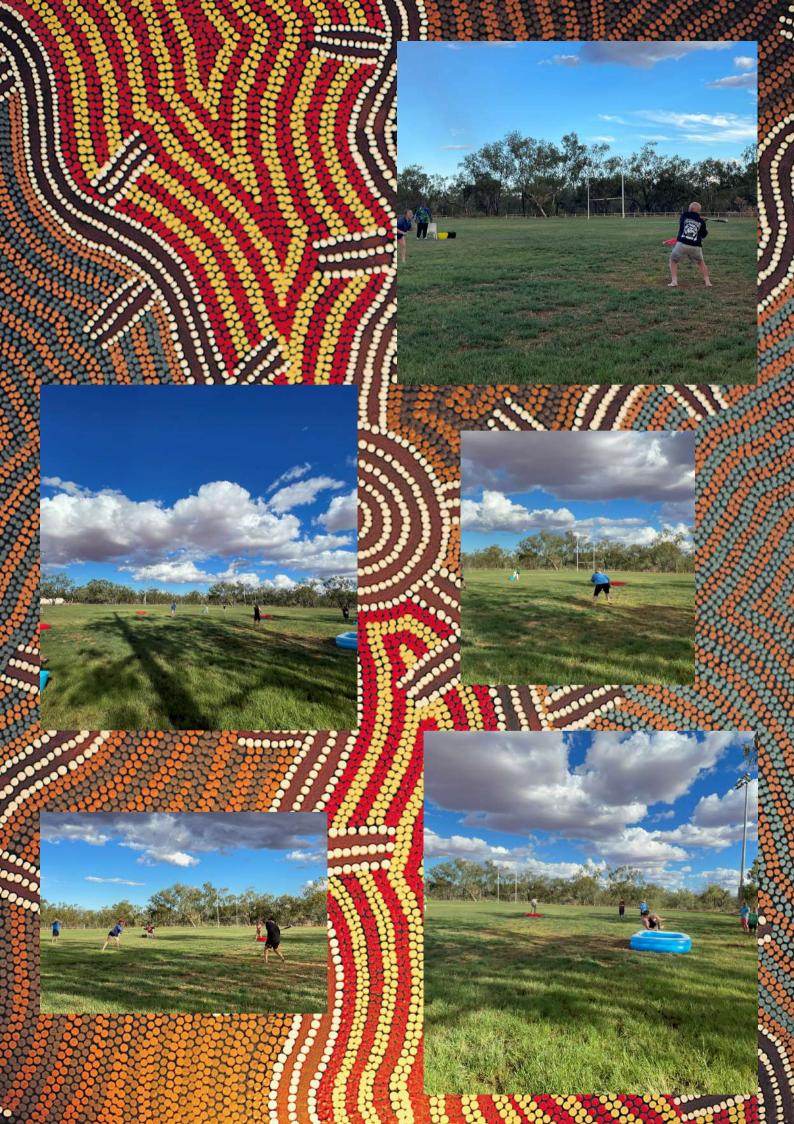












LIBRARY NEWS

What's been happening in our local Healthy Ageing Program over the past few months-

- On the 13th December the seniors of Thargomindah came together to enjoy the annual Healthy Ageing Luncheon supported by the Bulloo Shire Council and WQPHN. This year a beautiful Christmas lunch was supplied by the Oasis Motel and 33 seniors from the Bulloo Shire enjoyed a great afternoon out.
- Over the past few months our craft group has been exploring different painting techniques from drop pour, Dutch pouring, string painting, and balloon smash painting. This all led to a final project this week where the participants were able to use any of the techniques we had used to complete a wooden cutting board and the results were fantastic.
- Our upcoming activities include polymer clay and moulding clay works and paper marbling to name a few.
- Our next luncheon will be held Monday 28th February.

Holiday activities

This school holidays the children have participated in many projects from step by step and pour painting to tie-dying and papier-mache. It was great to see some of the older children attending the activities and all seemed to enjoy themselves and create some great works of art.

Playgroup will commence at the library every Tuesday as of the 1st Feb @ 10am-11am. Our next book exchange is due late February from the State Library. If you have any titles you are looking for, let me know at the library and I can check their catalogues and order it into our library for you.

Theatre Night in Thargomindah

Our next Theatre production "Boyle and Waters in Leotards" will arrive in Thargomindah on Thursday 24th February and tickets to this fantastic, funny night out go on sale Monday 31st January at the Library. Ticket are \$20, this is an adult only production and cash payment is required at time of bookings.

Ladies Night

This years ladies night will be held 27th May. Booking details to come.





PUBLIC NOTICE

Local Government Act 2009

- 1. Bulloo Shire Council ("Council") has proposed to make Local Government Controlled Areas, Facilities and Roads (Amendment) Subordinate Local Law (No. 1) 2022 (the "amending subordinate local law").
- 2. Local Law No. 4 (Local Government Controlled Areas, Facilities and Roads) 2019 authorises the making of the amending subordinate local law. The amending subordinate local law amends Subordinate Local Law No. 4 (Local Government Controlled Areas, Facilities and Roads) 2019.
- 3. The purpose and general effect of the amending subordinate local law is to remove, from Subordinate Local Law No. 4 (Local Government Controlled Areas, Facilities and Roads) 2019 the provision about the prohibition of camping at each of the Thargomindah Rodeo Grounds and the Hungerford Showgrounds.
- 4. Written submissions by any person in support of, or objecting to, the amending subordinate local law are invited for a 21 day period commencing on Wednesday, 2nd February 2022 and ending on Wednesday, 23rd February 2022 (the "consultation period").
- 5. During the consultation period Council will make available for inspection and purchase at Council's public office at **68 Dowling Street, Thargomindah** copies of the amending subordinate local law.
- 6. Submissions must be received on or before Wednesday, 23rd February 2022 stating—
 - (a) the grounds of the submission; and
 - (b) the facts and circumstances relied on in support of the grounds.

Chief Executive Officer



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ABN 77 018 448 039

The Chief Executive Officer

PO Box 46

THARGOMINDAH QLD 4492

STUDENT TWO YEAR BURSARY

GUIDELINES

Eligibility

Eligibility for the Bursary shall be restricted to:

- Students under 24 years of age;
- Students enrolling in any university/tertiary or post-secondary full-time course;
- Students of parents/guardians who reside within the Bulloo Shire, ideally the student should have been a resident in Bulloo Shire;
- Applications received after the closing date and time will not be considered under any circumstances for any reason; and
- If unsuccessful, students may re-apply for the bursary.

Method of Application

Applications must be in writing to the CEO and detail how the guidelines can be met, including the relevancy to future employment. Applications must also address the Selection Criteria.

Obligation of Recipient

- Result of each university semester must be presented to the CEO together with a short report on progress with the course.
- Annually, a verbal or written report must be presented to Council.
- Withdrawal of course may result in Council requiring assistance to be returned.
- Instalments will be paid to the recipient at the end of each semester on the provision of satisfactory results. The payments will cover the costs of registration, course fees, (including HECS), textbooks, boarding fees, and residential schools to a maximum of \$3,000 annually. Receipts are to be provided for all payments i.e. Text books etc.

This bursary is for a period of two years with a maximum of \$6,000 paid to each recipient over this period.

Criteria for Selection

Nominations should address the following criteria:

- Successful enrolment into university / tertiary course.
- Resident of the Bulloo Shire.

Applications close at: 5:00pm on Monday 28 February 2022.

Applications should be forwarded to:

Chief Executive Officer Bulloo Shire Council PO Box 46 Thargomindah QLD 4492



Student Two Year Bursary Application Form

Applicant:				
Date of Birth:				
Tertiary Entrance Statement attached:		YES	□NO	
Post-Secondary Fu	Il Time Course Enrolled In:			
Name of Parents/((must reside in the	D 11 Cl: \			
Address:				
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Have you previous	ly applied for this bursary?	yes □ Yes	□ NO	
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REQUEST FOR TENDER

T2021-2022-113 REGISTER OF PRE-QUALIFIED SUPPLIERS 2022/2023

Suppliers are invited to submit a tender for the inclusion onto Bulloo Shire Council's Register of Pre-Qualified Suppliers (RoPS) for the period of 1st April 2021 to 31st March 2023.

Documentation may be obtained by the following methods:

- Contacting Council's Finance Officer, Marianne Hortin, by phone on (07) 4621 8000;
 or
- Email Council@bulloo.qld.gov.au; or
- Council's webpage at http://www.bulloo.qld.gov.au/tenders1.

Applications should be clearly marked **'T2021-2022-113'** and submitted via email only to Tender@bulloo.qld.gov.au.

Submissions Close: 4.00pm on Monday, 28th February 2022



RATES NOTICES

01 January 2022 - 30 June 2022 Issued on 11 February 2022

Rate payments will be due by Monday 14 March 2022.

Discount will be allowed if payment is received by 5:00pm on the due date. Interest is applicable after this date.

It is the responsibility of the property owner to advise Council of any change of address.

Ratepayers who have not received their Rate Notices should contact the Council office immediately on 07 4621 8000.

Payment options are outlined on the back of the rate notice as well as on the rates information brochure.



REQUEST FOR TENDER

T2021-2022-110 Bitumen Reseals 2021-2022

Bulloo Shire Council is seeking the services of a suitably Qualified Contractor to supply and deliver Various Bitumen Reseals within the Bulloo Shire Council.

Documentation can be obtained by visiting Council's webpage at http://www.bulloo.qld.gov.au/tenders1

Applications should be clearly labelled with RFT number "T2021-2022-110" and submitted either via email to tender@bulloo.qld.gov.au or by post to:

Lew Rojahn Chief Executive Officer Bulloo Shire Council PO Box 46 THARGOMINDAH QLD 4492

Submissions Close: 4:00pm on Thursday, 10th February 2022

We Are Hiring!



Tourism Services Officer

Council are chasing a Tourism Services Officer to join the Corporate Services Department! This position will be predominantly based at the Visitor Information Centre, with frequent exposure to a wide range of exciting programs & events!



The successful applicant for this position will have excellent customer service skills, a creative mind & be able to work autonomously.

To be considered for this position, please submit:

- Cover Letter
- Resume

For further information on this position, please visit www.bulloo.qld.gov.au or www.liveoutback.com.au or call Tamie Warner, Corporate Services Manager on (07) 4621 8000

Application can be submitted by emailing council@bulloo.qld.gov.au

Submissions close 4:00pm 15 February 2022





ASCERTAINING INTEREST LEASE OF COFFEE ON DOWLING

Council is seeking qualified persons interested in leasing the coffee shop (Coffee on Dowling) located in the Echidna Place complex Thargomindah.

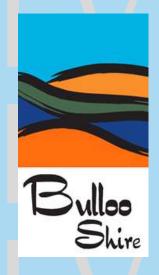
Hours of operation will be determined by the operator in conjunction with Council, with maximum use of facility envisaged during tourism season.

An Information Package and further information can be obtained by contacting Ms Tiffany Dare, Administrative Services Manager on (07) 4621 8000 or emailing council@bulloo.qld.gov.au.

Interested parties should register their interest, including contact details and any relevant experience, in writing to council, no later than 12:00 pm on Monday, 14th February 2022.

Lease of Coffee on Dowling
Chief Executive Officer
Bulloo Shire Council
PO Box 46
THARGOMINDAH OLD 4492





BULLOO SHIRE

Events 2022

BOYLE & WATER ARTOUR

ANZAC DAY PARADE

CHANNEL COUNTRY CHALLENGE

SHEARERS SHINDIG

LADIES NIGHT

THARGOMINDAH POLOCROSSE CARNIVAL

BINGO NIGHT - HOSPITAL AUX

CHANNEL COUNTRY MUSIC MUSTER

THARGOMINDAH BIKE SPORTS AND ENDURO

HUNGERFORD HORSE & MOTORBIKE GYMKHANA & ENDURO

NOCCUNDRA CAMPDRAFT, MOTORBIKE GYMKHANA & RODEO

HUNGERFORD REMEMBRANCE DAY

CHRISTMAS IN THE BULLOO CAROLS & MARKETS

CHRISTMAS TREE

CAMERON CORNER NEW YEAR'S EVE PARTY

FEBRUARY 24

APRIL 25

APRIL 29, 30 & MAY 1

MAY 20-21

MAY 27

JUNE 25-26

DATE TO COME

JULY 16-17

SEPT 17-18

SEP 30 - OCT 2 (TBC)

OCT 7-9 (TBC)

NOV 11

DATE TO COME

DATE TO COME

DEC 31

For more information contact:
Thargomindah Information Centre
PHONE: (07) 46 21 8095
EMAIL: tourism@bulloo.qld.gov.au



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