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Newsletter



JANUARY | 2023



MAYOR FERGUSON'S MESSAGE

I hope everyone enjoyed their Christmas break!

Council has been successful in obtaining the funding for works to begin on Warri Gate Road. This is a big achievement for Bulloo Shire and our campaigning for Warri Gate which will secure 2 - 3 years of work. This is Stage 1 of the funded works and with some more lobbying we hope to get this sort of funding in future years to continue the project.

It's good to see the pool up and running for the season, it's a great compliment to the town! Hope everyone is enjoying themselves cooling off in this hot weather.

We've had a few changes in staff roles this month. The CEO's position is being covered by our Managers on a four-month rotation. The first Acting CEO is Tiffany Dare, followed by Donna Hobbs and Tamie Warner respectively. Acting managers have been appointed to cover their role while they are Acting CEO allowing them to concentrate fully on the CEO role.

Council is continuing to support the community through applications for suitable project grants where possible. We will update the community as new information comes to hand.

***I hope everyone has a great month ahead!
"Try to be a rainbow in someone's cloud"***

CHRISTMAS PARTY



STAFF AWARDS

Staff awards which were presented at Bulloo Shire Council annual staff Christmas party highlighted the commitment and value of our employees. The following awards were presented to.....

Nathan Hortin - 5 years' Service
Melinda Byrne - 10 years' Service
Allan Girdler - 10 years' Service
Greg Brown - 10 years' Service
Daniel Gray - 20 years' Service
Jeffrey Grey - 25 years' Service

Daniel Roy - Outstanding Positivity
Julie Stewart - Outstanding WHS Practices
Jo Smith - Most Improved Performer
Mark Pollard - Best Team Player
Robert Girdler - Always Willing to Help.



TRAINING IN THE BULLOO

Bulloo Shire Council started 2023 with two weeks block training. Staff undertook various in-house and external training presented by various training organisations and council officers.

Training included a 2-day intensive Traffic Management course presented by Linked Resources, where 26 staff qualified in working in proximity to roads part 1 & 2 as well as practical onsite training setting up signs to coincide with road plans.

First Aid & CPR - 97% of BSC staff are up to date with this qualification.

In house training was presented by Ken Golden with Due Diligence, Working in Hot Environments & Risk Management. Tiffany & Jackie Dare covered Finance & Payroll processes.

Tamie Warner and Julie Steward held a Leadership presentation to Leading Hands/Gangers & Supervisors touching base on policies, Code of Conduct, training processes and responsibilities.

Rex Barick and Ben Ferguson covered flood truck operations which included securing vehicles, required paperwork and policies around the usage of the flood truck. This was followed by a swim test that included a quick lap in the pool and a two-minute float.

Dennis Malone and Allan Girdler held Plant Husbandry and Small Plant presentations going over plant prestart and requirements of machine operations.

We had Steve Dillon from Transport and Main Roads present Cultural Clearance & Cultural Heritage to outside staff members. This presentation identified what to look for and what processes to follow in relation to sacred sites.

Manual Handling was conducted by OHSA and great feedback has been collected from all training sessions.

To end the two-week block training Supervisors had training in New Supervisor Skills which was a full day training presentation via Teams Meetings held by Peak Services.

All in all, training was a success, and we hope to implement this every year when employees return from Christmas break.



Hungerford Field Day



Bulloo Shire Council wishes to advise
that **2 June 2023** is a holiday for the
Shire of Bulloo for the purpose of the
Hungerford Field Day

Pursuant to Section 4 of the Holidays Act 1983.



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Bulloo
Shire

Thank you for taking the **Customers Satisfaction Survey**. The survey should take less than five minutes of your time to complete.

Please return to the Bulloo Shire Administration Centre by 28th February 2023.

1. Customer Demographics

Do you reside in the Bulloo Shire?

- ☐ Yes
- ☐ No

2. What is your age group?

- ☐ 18-24
- ☐ 25-34
- ☐ 35-44
- ☐ 45-54
- ☐ 55-64
- ☐ 64+

3. How often do you use our customer services? e.g. General enquiries, payments, complaints, private works, road reports

- ☐ Weekly
- ☐ Monthly
- ☐ 3-6 times a year
- ☐ 1-2 times a year
- ☐ Not at all

4. Customer Service

How did you access our customer service?

- ☐ Telephone call
- ☐ Email
- ☐ Over the counter
- ☐ Direct contact with Council staff member
- ☐ After hours emergency number

5. What was your customer service request in regards to? E.g. roads, tourism, animals, building applications, rates, water & sewerage, council programs, information request,

6. How helpful was our customer service representative?

- ☐ Extremely helpful
- ☐ Very helpful
- ☐ Somewhat helpful
- ☐ Not Very helpful
- ☐ Not at all helpful
- ☐ Other (add comment)

Comments:

7. How would you rate the quality of customer service?

- ☐ Very high quality
- ☐ High quality
- ☐ Neither high nor low quality
- ☐ Low quality
- ☐ Very low quality

8. Please describe the issues you encountered, if any, in more detail.

9. Community Consultation and Communications

On a scale of 1 - 10, how would you rate Bulloo Shire Council's consultation and engagement with the community on key local issues?

1 = Very Poor – 10 = Excellent

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10. Why did you give Council this rating?

11. On a scale of 1 - 10, how would you rate Council's communications on council operations, key issues, events and programs?

1 = Very Poor – 10 = Excellent

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12. Why did you give Council this rating?

13. What method would you choose to receive general information from council?

- ☐ Council's Website
- ☐ Facebook
- ☐ Bulloo Buzz Newsletter
- ☐ Other

14. **Council Facilities and Events**

On a scale of 1 - 10, how would you rate the quality and range of Council's community spaces eg halls, sporting grounds and facilities, parks and playgrounds, skate parks, walking, running and cycling tracks?

1 = Very Poor – 10 = Excellent

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15. Why did you give Council this rating?

16. On a scale of 1 - 10, how would you rate Council's support of community sporting events, workshops, festivals etc.

1 = Very Poor – 10 = Excellent

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17. Why did you give Council this rating?

18. Council Websites and Social Media

Do you access information from Council's website or social media?

☐ Yes

☐ No

19. Were you able to find the information you were looking for?

☐ Yes

☐ No

20. How can we improve your customer experience with Council?

21. Do you have any additional comments or feedback for us?

RURAL SERVICES

A Working Dog School was held on the 3 & 4 December 2022, by Precision Working Dogs, which was hosted by the Luckraft Family at Yakara Station, this was funded by PHN Western Queensland.

Participants travel from Woomonooka, Epsilon, Thargomindah Station, Merimo, Farnham Plains, Wombula, Picarilli, Kilcowera and Morven to attend the school.

In total there were 18 participants and 3 fence sitters for the whole weekend.

Participants learnt how to train, work dogs with stock and stock handling. Over the weekend, one of the topics that was talked a lot about from the school, that landholders could liaise with each other to work out a meeting place with some dogs and a pen with sheep periodically for a bit of a social afternoon for mental health awareness for landholders.



Working Dog School Participants

Taine Duff, Mack Mason, Tay & Mark Luckraft, Anthony Glasson, Sam Luckraft, Kain Glasson, Lauren Beresford, Tom English, Adam Klein, Flynn Glasson, Levi Dodds, Mark Eacott, Maidie Dawson, Mon Betts, Peta Warner, Janica Glasson, Allie Firth, Beau Simpson.



Hungerford Christmas Tree

Rural Services staff attended the Hungerford Christmas Tree on 17 December. More than 60 people attended including Santa. Community Drought Support provided to the Hungerford Progress to assist with the cost of the evening meal and presents for the children.





REQUEST FOR TENDER

T2022-2023-106

REGISTER OF PRE-QUALIFIED SUPPLIERS 2023/2025

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 2023 to 31st March 2025.

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 '**T2022-2023-106**' and submitted via email only to Tender@bulloo.qld.gov.au.

Submissions Close: 4.00pm on Friday, 3rd February 2023



Bulloo Shire Council

Approved Thargomindah Animal Inspection Program

Commencing on ***Monday, 9th January 2023***, Bulloo Shire Council will be conducting a full animal inspection of all properties inside the Thargomindah Designated Town area.

The purpose of the inspection is to enforce the Animal Management Act 2008 (Dogs and Cats) and the Bulloo Shire Council Local Law No.2 (Animal Management) within the Thargomindah Designated Town area, in particular:

- ascertain ownership of all unregistered animals, to enforce registration and permits; and
- ensure all animal enclosures comply with requirements

Fines will be issued for any animals that are in breach of the Animal Management Act 2008 (Dogs and Cats) and Local Law No. 2 (Animal Management).

A complete copy of the Approved Thargomindah Animal Inspection Program is available to purchase for \$0.60 at the Bulloo Shire Council Office, 68 Dowling Street, Thargomindah. This program will be completed by ***Friday, 30th June 2023***.

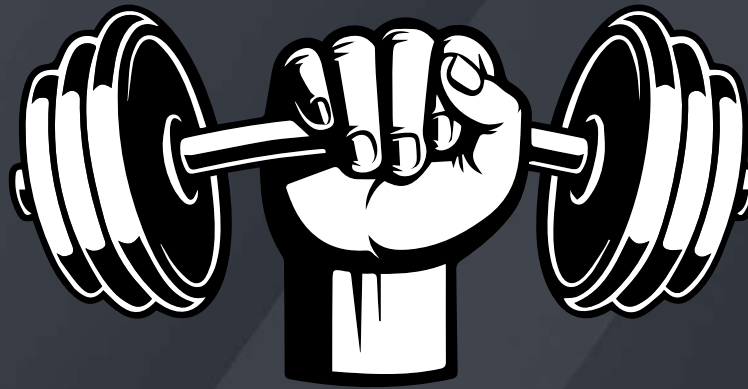
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PUBLIC NOTICE



Please be advised Bulloo Shire Council do not permit gym usage for persons under 16 years.

Members must not supply access or card usage for non-members, member forms can be collected from Bulloo Shire Council Administration Centre



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