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SHIRE OF WILUNA NEWSLETTER: WONGA



The Governor General of **AUSTRALIA** Michael **Jeffrey & Mrs Jeffrey** centre stage with pupils at the Wiluna Remote Community School after talking and singing to celebrate their special visit to Wiluna - the town where The Governor was born.

COUNCIL MATTERS

Ten new houses will be built in Wiluna over the next twelve months by the Dept of Housing and Works. It has become very important that the families allocated these homes, as well as those in the established homes, be offered homemaker assistance. Homemaker assistance includes the following; food preparation, hygiene, home health, use and maintenance of fixtures, budgeting, rental payment, gardening etc. The Shire is investigating the opportunity to provide such a service.

The Shire of Wiluna will be building a triplex this year

The Shire has requested that DHW holds community discussions about the Mobile Maintenance Program in order that everyone understands the process and the requirements of DHW. At an extraordinary meeting of council, DHW and members of the public Council decided that the Shire would accept responsibility for the program for the next 3 months.

Public Toilets are on the Shire agenda. Plans have been drawn and a funding agreement made with ICC to share

The Governor General paid his respects to Wiluna on May 23, 2006. He Opened the Wiluna Community Swimming Pool and attended a reception at the Shire Tjukurba Gallery. He also visited the Wiluna School along with his Honor Ted Egan the NT Governor who is well known for his singing voice to the delight of the school children.

The Governor General's visit has inspired the community to go forward with their aspirations to make this town a better place for all residents.

The Minister for Education Ljiljanna Ravlich

will be in Wiluna on Thursday June 1 to meet with all stakeholders with regard to the condition of the Wiluna School and plans for improvement and change. Wiluna Shire Council is keen to promote a 'whole of life' Community College approach. May 2006 page 2

THE SHIRE of WILUNA INCOME SOURCE

is summarized as follows for your information:-

RATES: GRV Mining	6%
Town	1%
UV Mining	27%
Rural	2%

GRANTS COMMISSION

A boriginal population; Distance from Perth; Climate. 37% GRANTS & DONATIONS 17% OTHER INCOME 10%

Wiluna Residents and Ratepayers are invited to have an input for the next 4 year Shire Plan For the Future. Talk to Tony Kirwan or Jean Alagappan anytime.

WORKS

The Shire <u>grader</u> is working on the Meekatharra Road. North Road has been completed. Re-sheeting continues on the Carnegie Road.

<u>Maintenance</u> work is being carried out at the racecourse in preparation for the July Rodeo.

<u>Bins</u> are being made to cater for rubbish collection at the '12 mile' crossing.



Above: Shire staff and Moses Contracting staff volunteered on Sunday May 21 to complete the rock wall at the pool. Much appreciated.

Tourism

A meeting for tourism was held at Leonora on May 29th. A proposal for discussion is that 6 adjoining shires combine to advertise a tourist package for our immediate region and have coordinated web sites to link information.

Rodeo Update

Next committee meeting Wed June 7, 4pm Working Busy Bee Sunday June 11 at the Racetrack 10am . *All welcome*

Main Roads will begin work on the Wiluna to Magellan section of the Meekatharra Road. Work will begin soon starting with an opening to proceedings by Alana McTiernan expected early in June.

YOUTH SPORT RECREATION our youth, our future

Fremantle Dockers Youth Football League

Thanks to the CLONTARF football academy for supporting the Wiluna Football team in training drills 17th of May the under17s Wiluna Tigers defeated Meekatharra by 30 points

This week 8 students have been chosen to play in Geraldton in the AMP Carnival

Cricket Has finished for the season. Thank you Joe Guilliano and John Narier for leadership and support for the Team

Netball; Tuesdays and Thursdays



Above: Active After School Community Program
Mon Trevenen, Libby Brown, Zac Koroi BHC, Delson
Smith FDYFL Coach and Mike Munda, Sharona Gilbert,
Lai Ratabua Sports & Rec Dept completed their Level 1
Active After School Community Coaching Course. They
will provide various afternoon programs with the kids.

Monday 3.30 – 4.30pm please make sure your child is at the tennis courts to participate in fun and active programs