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SHIRE OF WILUNA NEWSLETTER : WONGA

COUNCIL MATTERS

The Governor General Michael Jeffrey wrote to thank the Shire for hosting a highly informative and pleasant visit. He was impressed with the health and wellbeing prospects associated with the new pool, and was most impressed by "the stunning array of local art work." At the reception he was pleased to have the opportunity " to meet with a broad and interesting cross section of the community". The Governor General also enjoyed looking around his birth place. He is aware that the State government will relocate the Wiluna school.



"Well done and every good wish for the future". Pictured : The Gov Gen & Mrs Jeffry, Ted Egan at right.

Pool Lifeguard Trainees

Congratulations to Mike Munda and Sharona Gilbert who have now successfully completed Pool Lifeguard training at the Royal Lifesaving Association in Perth. Later this year they will attend a Pool managers course.

The Water Corporation has announced that new chlorination facilities are currently being built for Cue, Meekatharra, MtMagnet, Sandstone and Wiluna. It is expected that these will be commissioned within 6 months. A commitment has been made by the Water Corporation to improve the town sewerage system by moving the ponds away from the town as the first stage.

Shire Positions have been advertised in the Saturday West Australian for a Mechanic and a Homemaker Program Coordinator

New \$5million School for Wiluna.



Above: Council meets with the Education Minister After visiting Wiluna on May 30th the Education and Training Minister Ljiljanna Ravlich announced during the visit that the town would have a new \$5million school.

It would be constructed on land opposite to the Wiluna Shire offices and next to tennis courts, a community centre and adjacent to the town swimming pool.

Other purpose-built classrooms would be added to those to form the new school.

Ms Ravlich said architects would be appointed within the next two months and it was expected the school would be ready to open in 2008.

"I am delighted that the Wiluna shire has helped identify a suitable location for the new school next to existing community facilities," she said.

The Minister flew to Wiluna to meet with shire officials and community members to discuss their concerns.

"After visiting the existing school and speaking with members of the Wiluna community, I was convinced that a new school in a different location was the best option for everyone," Ms Ravlich said.

Murchison-Eyre MLA and Goldfields Minister John Bowler described the announcement as great news.

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Main Roads

Work on the Wiluna to Magellan section of the Meekatharra Road from June to September. Contrary to earlier commitment the sealed section will now be 15 kms long - due to cost increases.

SHIRE WORKS



The Shire of Wiluna welcomes Greg 'Speedy" Newlands (left) to the position of Trainee in the workshop



Rodeo Update

A working Busy Bee on Sunday June 11,18 & 25 was very successful. Over 30 volunteers from stations and town have attended to do a variety of jobs to prepare the arena, fence, bar, kitchens, water and power. A completely new fence has been erected to create an area that can have ongoing use for Rodeos or Gymkhanas. The Rodeo begins on Friday from 11 to 3 with a short program which includes a demonstration by visiting Police Horsemen. is on Saturday July 15 with a full program from 9am to 9pm closing with a two hour Pigrim Brothers Concert. All day entry is \$10 per adult; kids over 5 are \$5. A range of food and drinks will be available to purchase as well as riding the mechanical bull and a bouncy castle.

Save up for the big day.....see you there!

YOUTH SPORT & RECREATION

Football

Wiluna Vs Jundee 28th of June at 6.30pm saw a cold but vocal crowd as usual enjoying the game which Wiluna won by a margin of 17 points. The Jundee side had several Wiluna men playing who are involved with the on site work and training program. Thanks to Cherry and Newmont for organising the successful event and providing the feed after.

Under 16 Wiluna Tigers

18th of June3 : 114 Karalundi 16 Under 16 Wiluna Tigers defeated Mt Magnet after they forfeit on Sunday 25th of June **Clontarf Boys School Football Program** Wiluna boys <u>Zareth Long</u> and <u>Kynedon</u> <u>Ashwin</u> have been selected by the South Fremantle football club to try out for their Colts squad. The boys will attend school and training for a term at Clontarf.



BANNERS ON THE ADELAIDE TERRACE If you are in Perth over the next months look for the Wiluna Community Banner hanging with many others along Adelaide Terrace. The high school girls and some mothers assisted Sharona Gilbert in painting beautiful banner for the parade on the Terrace Parade.

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