



# SHIRE OF WILUNA NEWSLETTER : WONGA

## COUNCIL MATTERS

-**The Wiluna Development Project** has begun with the upgrade of staffing skills using a specialist organizational person.

-**The Shire has made an offer to purchase** the Marruwayura house in Scotia St for a new staff member. The Shire has also made an offer to **lease the Marruwayura Offices** for a period of 6 months with an option to purchase after that time. This offer, if accepted, will be made on the basis that the community agrees with the idea to re use the building for the collocation of services as a town resource in the town business area. Funds are being sought for renovation work.

-**Staff Reviews** have occurred as required by the Local Government Act.

-**The new Sewerage ponds** are now extended and all old ponds are gone.

-**Negotiations for a new Liquor Accord** have begun and the Shire will be taking part

-**Magellan Mine** managers visited the Shire to let us know that they hope to begin work again in 2008 provided they get permission to move their product through Fremantle.

-**CDEP under Nooda** has been very slow to begin and we are not sure how it is going.

-**The Statue** for the entry to town featuring the story of the 'last of the Nomads' will be installed and unveiled at a ceremony at sun-down on Thursday October 4<sup>th</sup>. All invited.

-**When the Wiluna School** moves from its present site the land will be resumed by the Shire. If you have an idea or interest in the future use of the site phone or speak to a councilor. The new school is progressing well

- Sen H. Coonan, Fed Govt. has written to guarantee an upgrade to faster **ADSL or wireless Broadband**. Call 1800 883 488.

[www.broadbandnow.gov.au](http://www.broadbandnow.gov.au) for detail.

## NAIDOC WEEK a COMMUNITY SUCCESS



*Pictured above are some of the people who were responsible for a happy week of activities.*

NAIDO this year was well organized by a committee. Special thanks to Bev Anderson, Desrae Anderson, Ray Anderson, Mike Simpson many umpires and other volunteers. Well done!



**Tjukurba Gallery** artists went to Geraldton to celebrate a show of their work at the Geraldton Art Gallery. They were assisted by Helen Ansell and Don Miller through a Healthways grant awarded to the Mulka Corporation. The CEO commended their efforts with high praise for positive publicity, sales and a successful showing that made Wiluna people feel proud.

**Early voting for Council** is open now at the Shire Admin Office. Ten Candidates have nominated for five positions. Polling day is October 20<sup>th</sup>.



### **NAIDOC CARNIVAL**

Football/Softball/mini games

The carnival started on the 3<sup>rd</sup> of September.

There were 2 visiting communities, Mulga Queen and Nullagine including our own local teams, Bondini, Windidda, Kutkabubba and Wiluna Town. The games were a success, with the community helping to organise events and co-ordinate the games. On Wednesday night a lot of young people turned up for the disco and had a good time. On Thursday night the Yabu Band played at the Basketball courts with a turnout of over 200 people. The night was a success and there were no brawls even though we had problems with the electricity. Friday they had the men's Football finals. The Town/Windidda Saints won the NAIDOC Football Cup from Nullagine.

Sport and Rec Staff would like to thank the Shire for funding these games and to AMS BHC for supplying the food for the games.

**Wiluna Town Tourism Think Tank** – all welcome 4pm, Wednesday October 10<sup>th</sup> in the Shire Training Room.

### **Sport & Recreation**



*Pictured above: the Girls had a lot of fun in their time together. Leandra Anderson- 'Best Overall Club Girl' Award and Meleonie won a 'Best Coach' award.*

### **Sunday Youth Program: The Fremantle Dockers** Football/Netball

The Fremantle Dockers Youth Football League and the Under17's

Netball season has finished. The Wiluna Cats (netball) pictured above were the runners up of the tournament.

We would like to acknowledge Meleoni Nariro for her commitment to the girls program and being the coach that helped the **Wiluna Cats** reach second place this season.

The Fremantle Dockers Youth Football League and the Under17's- the **Wiluna Tigers** came 5<sup>th</sup> on the ladder. Although they missed out on the finals, it has still been a good season.

**The Sunday program** will continue again next year in March and we would ask the council to continue supporting these programs for the Youth of Wiluna.

**Curtain making opportunity** exists for any residents. Come and sew your own with materials provided. Gwen will assist at the Shire Home Services Office or in the Adult training Room.